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Morning—Genesis 19, 12 to 30; Mark 6, 14 to 30.
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March 11—Second Sunday in Lent.

Morning—Genesis 27, to 41; Mark 10, to 52.
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Morning—Genesis 37; Mark 14, to 27.
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QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

Holy Communion: 259, 307, 317, 323.

Processional: 4, 179, 215, 217.

Offertory: 36, 175, 196, 210.

Children's Hymns: 233, 336, 337, 341.

General Hymns: 22, 34, 177, 186.

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT.

Holy Communion: 304, 318, 319, 321.

Processional: 263, 270, 291, 302.

Offertory: 85, 87, 254, 259.

Children's Hymns: 92, 332, 338, 342.

General Hymns: 84, 91, 94, 249.

Charity.

How little do people as a rule realize the fullness and depth of meaning enshrined in this blessed word charity—"the very bond of peace and of all virtues," as it is so chastely and beautifully described in the Collect. "Divinity," says Sir Thomas Brown writing of this great virtue, "both wisely divided the act thereof into many branches, and both taught us, in this narrow way, many paths unto goodness." It is of the utmost importance that we should have sound views on such a subject. Keble well says that "True Christian mercy is altogether opposite to the false good nature of the world." So is not that the truest Christian charity, which not merely dispenses money freely to the poor and needy to save them from physical suffering and want, but which impels the true Christian to lead his needy brethren to open their hearts to the Holy

Ghost, that through the Divinely appointed means of grace He may pour into them that most excellent gift, "without which whosoever liveth is counted dead" before his Lord.

New Conditions.

In the great and growing communities of our new world the conditions of life are in many respects different from those which have long prevailed in the old and long settled countries of the elder world. In each department of our active energetic life this fact is recognized, and such changes and modifications as wisdom and experience suggest, have been, and are being gradually adopted to the end that the best results may be attained in the shortest possible time, and in the most direct and advantageous manner. The statesman, merchant, manufacturer, farmer, and other great classes of nation builders are keenly alive to the necessity of hard thinking, constant experimenting, and energetic working at this attractive, absorbing, and intensely practical problem. What time, thought and toil are our representative Churchmen giving each twenty-four hours of their quickly passing lives to the urgent need of adopting and applying their own Church to the great and growing necessities of their own home land, so that it may not lag in the trough of the sea, but top the wave of national development, and be a chosen instrument in the hand of God in directing and moulding the life and character of our people and in laying broad and deep the noblest foundation upon which an upright God-fearing nation can rest?

A Country Gentleman.

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The Christian Citizen.

There are some simple tests of Christian citizenship which are not far to seek. We Church people are sometimes apt to pride ourselves on our rather striving to live the Christian life than to talk about it. This is well so long as our pride is chastened by humility, and there can be no doubt of our actually doing the right thing instead of merely thinking of doing it. Our Church gives us two splendid and intensely practical rules and guides towards the attainment of this end; and we can well afford to be reminded of them over and over again. In the engrossing inrush of material considerations we so readily overlook or forget our spiritual marching orders. We know of no better, simpler or truer guides to the Christian citizen than our duty towards God and our neighbour. The more closely they are

followed the purer, truer, and better will be the man and the citizen.

A Mission Preacher.

A very common idea gathered from the newspapers is that all religion is decadent in France and that the abolition of the concordat with Rome has left the country with a disappearing form of worship. Compared to the loss to the world of Christian religious life in a nation and the only training substituted that of ethics or atheism, the form of Christianity is a minor matter. Consequently it is reassuring to read that the Rev. Father Plessis of the Dominican Order has arrived in Montreal from Paris for the purpose of preaching the Lenten sermons in Notre Dame Cathedral. This energy is rather a good tonic to those of us who are ready to flatter our self-pride in our parochial arrangements for such purposes. It is not the first time that the same orator has preached a revival in Montreal. Father Plessis is said to be a tall spare man, fifty years of age, and of remarkably striking appearance. This is his second visit to Montreal. When there over ten years ago he made a most profound impression. A man of high intellectual attainment and a thinker, Father Plessis is rather noted for his depth of thought, and power of speculation than for that oratorical ability usually associated with popular preachers. The first sermon of the course will be delivered on the fourth of March, the first Sunday in Lent.

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Imperial Growth.

In a recent address to students at Toronto University Mr. R. L. Borden referred to the need of some better mode of co-operation or some closer co-ordination of governing powers amongst the groups within the Empire, which exercise the right of self-government, and that portion of the Empire which is known as the British Isles. There can be no doubt that the development of power in matters material and political, rapid increase in population, and the love of freedom combined with the sturdy spirit of independence, which is the birthright of the Briton, are with other influences slowly, it may be, but surely preparing the public mind for the ultimate realization of some practical solution of this question, which there can be no denying is one of the first importance. The time is bound to come when the terms of the great Imperial partnership will have to be so adjusted that all parts of the Empire will be freely and fairly compacted together like the links of a mighty chain. Each link complete in itself as an individual unit, but all welded together by the tremendous power of a common interest, a common sentiment, and a united nationality. The genius of the people whose necessities gave birth to the British Constitution will gradually respond to this great demand, and the spirit of justice and freedom which made possible that great achievement in civilized government in the past is a sufficient augury of its successful adaptation and development to the growing needs of the future.

Egyptia Sinai.

An article in "Harper's" for February upon the early Egyptians in Sinai by Mr. Flinders Petrie has attracted less notice than it deserves. Mr. Petrie has for years been an indefatigable and successful Egyptian explorer and his trained observation of the mass of mountains in the desert to the east of Egypt are revelations. Turquoise from this desert was the great attraction, and in prehistoric times had been traded in to be used for beads and ornaments. One of the first enterprises of the monarchy after the conquest of the Nile valley was the extension of its power to secure these mines, and the oldest Egyptian memorials have been found there and a series running down from one of King Temerket of the first dynasty, about 4500 B. C. to about 1,000 B. C. The most important are being removed to the museum at Cairo, as they were being rapidly destroyed and sold by the Arabs. All metallic articles have disappeared and the pottery is in fragments. What are left are chiefly memorials of worship in which trained observers can trace the differences in national worship and religious ideas. The goddess Hathor or the deity of the Turquoise, the goddess of the country, was worshipped, just as did the men whom Shalmaneser settled in Samaria who "knew not the manner of the God of the land" and so a priest "taught them how they should fear the Lord," . . . so these nations "feared the Lord and served their graven images." This, Mr. Petrie says, is a complete sample of the polytheist system, placing the God of the land first, but keeping the ancestral gods as well, and so the Egyptians, while still worshipping their own gods, yet made it their main business to worship Hathor "after the manner of the God of the land." Among the ruins stones, Beth El, such as Jacob set up are still standing.

A Captain of Industry.

Canadians need not look to other countries for examples of success in industrial achievement so long as men like the late E. B. Eddy, of Ottawa, spend their lives in developing her resources. A strong will, determined industry, remarkable energy, sound judgment and unusual force of character enabled the son of a humble Vermont farmer to build up a business whose products are known, used, and esteemed the world over. A business employing an army of operatives, calling for an enormous annual expenditure, increasing the labour, wealth, and material prosperity of our country, and demonstrating beyond a doubt that where the right man is in the right place Canada can hold her own in the markets of the world. Mr. Eddy proved to the letter that though he was born in the United States he was true to the land of his adoption in every sense of the word. His benefactions were large and well disposed. His word was as good as his bond. In his death Canada loses a man whose memory will long survive as one of her great pioneer captains of industry.

Typhoid.

It may be a good sign that an action has been brought against the Montreal "Herald" for calling attention to the prevalence of typhoid fever in the city and suburbs and for claiming that impure water is the chief cause of the disease. For one thing the existence of the fever is being brought home to people's minds and possibly something may be done. But there are other towns and cities which jog along from year to year and are going to do some great thing at a more convenient season which never comes.

"The House Beautiful stands by the Wayside." The most precious things are the commonest, and these are to be gained, not by large fortunes but by large souls.—Bishop Westcott.

CANADIAN CHURCHMAN.

THE CASE OF PROFESSOR HALE.

It cannot be wondered at that the notable change in religious convictions which Professor Edward E. Hale, of Union College in the United States, has undergone would attract wide attention. Professor Hale, it will be remembered, is the son of the well-known thinker and writer Edward Everett Hale, who is one of the foremost representatives of the Unitarian body, and was brought up in his father's school of religious thought. Towards the end of last year Professor Hale underwent that solemn change towards the things of time and eternity, which is known by the name of conversion. He found under the guidance of the new light, which had entered into his life, the Unitarian position unsatisfactory, and he underwent a process of change of interest in the concerns of life until, to use his own words, "It then became clear to me that I had been giving up the element of self in life that I might accept Christ as a master. I, therefore, openly did so." Now what were the opinions formerly held by the learned professor. They were, we take it, those held by the majority of the body with which he and his father were associated: That our Saviour was a mere man, inspired as other great men are, but to a greater extent unbelief in original sin, eternal punishment, miracles, and the supernatural element in Christianity; denial of the need of an atonement, and the opinion that our Lord's death was simply a martyrdom in defence of truth. "People in general," says Pascal, "have the power of dismissing from their thoughts what they choose. 'Think not of the evidences of the Messiah,' said the Jew to his son. It is the same also in our days. And thus false systems of religion are perpetuated, and even true ones also." But a day came to Professor Hale, when the chain which bound his will to self was melted by a spiritual solvent, and like the man who was born without sight, at the Divine touch, he was enabled to say: "Whereas I was blind now I see." "I tell you," said Napoleon, "that I understand men, and Jesus was more than a man." King Midas had the golden touch, and everything which met his fingers was turned into the precious metal. When the Master touches a man's heart self, will, and life respond at once. The ice of rationalism, the flint of avarice, the silken bond of sensuality alike are dissolved by the glow of infinite compassion, and the gift of full and free salvation becomes the precious guerdon of the hearer, believer, and doer of the word. "The miracles themselves," says a recent writer, "do not appear more miraculous than the instantaneous and enduring effects of a few words uttered by Jesus in altering human lives. All that the wisest can say in such a case is that no wisdom is competent to measure rightly the personality of Jesus. It is unique in history, and its effects are also unique." Had it been possible for a hard, precise rationalism to have reformed the world St. Paul had never gone to Athens to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom on Mar's Hill. The value of Professor Hale's conversion to the cause of true religion is simply inestimable when one reflects on the time and opportunities wasted, and worse than wasted by those who are content to feed their hearers with the husks of higher criticism, the speculations of modern science, and the exaltation of human intellect and its achievement in the place where Christ should be lifted up, that He might draw all men unto Himself.

ZEAL OF THE RIGHT SORT.

So frequently does one not only hear the lack of interest in Church matters spoken of, but see it on all hands with one's own eyes, that when one hears of a case where fervent, disinterested and sustained zeal has been successfully directed along the line of legitimate Church work, good Churchmen every where rejoice. Such results prove what we are never weary of urging upon

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our readers: That the old Church of the Apostles has ever within her the potency of unlimited strength, and if the strength is not used it is the fault of her indolent, unwilling or indifferent members. No new spring can give purer or more refreshing water than the old. No stronger or more sustaining spiritual food can be found on earth than that which is committed to her charge, and no call can possibly be made for devout and exalted zeal that can exceed hers in intense interest and arousing force. To those who heed and obey it great things are possible. Such things as in their hours of ease they never dreamed themselves capable of. But when with sincerity and earnestness they bring their gifts to the altar and putting their hands to the plough and never looking back press forward, time may bring to the a harvest of astonishing proportions. One of the most remarkable results of the zeal we have referred to is recorded in the "Australian Churchman." It well proves our point. We wonder if Canada has boys and girls who are capable of doing such noble work for their Church as has been accomplished by these young Australians?: "The completion of St. George's Church, Mareeba, North Queensland, is an occurrence which most probably is unique. Less than a year ago the erection of a church was regarded as an impossibility; but stirred by the Bishop's address when he administered confirmation in November, 1904, two of the candidates (girls) started to collect funds (says the organ of the Grafton and Armidale Diocese), and by the end of January the sum of £32 7s. had been collected and banked, and by their earnestness and perseverance they roused an enthusiasm which brought others forward to help in a practical manner. Two school boys, Francis W. and Marcus J. G. Brims, who were gifted in a remarkable degree with mechanical skill, offered to design and build a church in their spare time if the material were supplied, without making any charge whatever. The offer was such an extraordinary one, and the boys so young, the eldest 17 and his brother 15, that it was generally thought that they had undertaken a task beyond their strength and ability. Results, however, told a very different tale. The two boys, perhaps the youngest ecclesiastical builders in the world, started to work on the 16th March, and by the 12th June had completed as pretty and neat a church as stands in North Queensland, and the church is evidence, not only of their skilled workmanship, but of the enthusiasm which inspired them and with which they, with the girls, infected the others. Many gifts in kind and labour followed, with the result that within the remarkably short period of four months the buildings was completed by voluntary labour and straight out giving of materials and money. The total cost of the church, including land and fence, comes to £250 7s. 6d., and this has all been paid by cash or in gifts of material or labour. The boys' work is estimated at £56."

FROM WEEK TO WEEK.

Spectator's Comments on Questions of Public Interest.

When writing last week we had not the official financial statement of the General Treasurer of the Mission Board before us. To-day we have. It is with pleasure that we are able to note the improved form in which this statement appears. It is not a subject of special congratulation, for after all it is only what one would expect of any business man. It has been given to the public much earlier than formerly, its several accounts are made to balance, there are more details as to where the money devoted to foreign missions goes, and lastly it would appear that the board now pays its foreign missionaries direct and not through a third party. Spectator has more than once pointed out that these things ought to be

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done and now that they are attended to he gladly calls public attention to the same. We are still of the opinion that the treasurer could make his statement much more useful to the public by accompanying it with notes and explanations. We are not thinking of his attempting to convince the public of his accuracy, that, of course, is not necessary, but that he should interest the Church as far as possible in the distribution of their gifts. The treasurer is the finance minister of the Church and he is entitled to deliver the budget speech or to say what is necessary to illuminate the dry figures he presents. What we have in mind has been done in part in the accompanying "financial review," but the discussion only covers the financial situation from the point of view of the collections. As far as it goes it is a useful analysis of the relations of the various dioceses to the income of the society. We would like to see the treasurer go further and explain the statement from the point of view of expenditure. This, like other things, will, we suppose, come in time, but why not now?

The problem of increasing the revenue of the Missionary Society for the year 1906 some \$20,000 over the receipts for the year 1905 is a serious problem to face, particularly as the advance of 1905 over 1904 only slightly exceeded \$1,000. There is nothing alarming in the proposal to raise \$110,000 for Church extension and maintenance in the mission field. The wealth and generous impulses of our Church people ought to make such a proposition quite simple. It is well within our power and it ought to be a part of our ambition to do so. The campaign for 1906 should include two outstanding features. It should present a vigorous attack on the negative members of the Church and furnish the friends of missions with the most effective arguments for pressing the claims of this great work upon the generosity of the people. If the contributors of 1905 could be held to their subscriptions and half of the non-contributors brought into line the thing would be accomplished. An extended list of contributors more than increased contributions is probably what is needed. Let every clergyman in Canada bear this in mind and devise ways and means for getting men and women who have hitherto been negative in this work to step into the ranks and share in a great work. But in addition to all this the men who stand up and advocate this cause must be furnished with an effective brief. They have to be convinced themselves and able to give a reason for the faith that is in them. That is the great dynamic that must be behind all effort. We are perfectly sure that much may be done in this direction. A series of articles has recently been appearing in a missionary magazine on "The Duty and Opportunity" of the Church in Canada. Deans, Archdeacons, judges, and others of less degree have taken a hand in the series and it is rather pathetic to observe the courageous way in which they have attempted to make the most of their case. They are all working upon the same material or lack of material, and all have adopted the speculative rather than the empirical form of argument. These men represent a thousand others and if we are to raise \$110,000 this year, some one must come to their aid with facts. We recall an address delivered by Archbishop Matheson in Montreal during the session of the last Provincial Synod that exactly illustrates the advocacy we believe to be most effective. He told of the number of churches that had been built and opened in his diocese within a twelve-month. He named the missions that had recently been established and told something of their growth, and went on to tell of a dozen different centres that ought to have the ministrations of the Church and would have as soon as possible. With material like that in the hands of the 1,200 clergy of the Church their advocacy would be

an entirely different matter. This, too, will come in time, but why should it be delayed?

At the recent meeting of the Synod of Montreal, the treasurer had a most encouraging statement to present. The last remnants of a long standing overdraft had been wiped out and a credit balance of something like \$3,000 established in its stead. The prospects are now all in favour of paying the diocesan clergy the minimum canonical stipends, which presumably will be done forthwith. We have learned never to be too sanguine about such things, for it is astonishing how many contingencies can arise to stand between the missionary and an increased stipend. It was pointed out that a systematic canvass of the deaneries had resulted in very material increase in the direct parochial contributions to stipends. Those pleasing tokens of progress are not the result of increased wealth in Church members, but rather the result of more business-like methods adopted by Synods. When the effort is made the results are satisfactory. Let the clergy now renew their efforts to present the Church at its best to the people. Let every man feel that he has something of importance and value to give, let him yield himself with untiring devotion to the sick and the needy; let his Sunday sermons carry messages direct, simple, and uplifting, and his daily contact with his people be unaffected and whole-hearted. We need the throb and thrill of new life and the renewing of a right spirit within us. Let us work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work.

It is possible that the Church Congress may yet be held. After corresponding and negotiating for a couple of years it looked as though the whole thing had come to naught. By all the rules of the game the Diocese of Montreal ought to see that thing through to a finish. It was there that the movement was set on foot and it could not be shouldered on to any other diocese without danger. These undertakings need the enthusiasm of a few people to carry them through and the movers are presumed to furnish the enthusiasm. We would suggest that the preparations should not be allowed to hang fire too long. Interest fades after a subject has been before the public a certain time. Get a good programme, a couple of distinguished speakers from abroad, men whom some people want to hear, and prepare the way for the consideration of the subjects by a judicious use of the press, and the congress ought to be a success.

SPECTATOR.

The Churchwoman.

OTTAWA.

The regular monthly meeting of the Diocesan Board of the W. A. of this diocese was held on Monday, the 12th inst., in the Lauder Hall, with Mrs. Col. Tilton in the chair, and a large attendance of officers and delegates. Rev. J. M. Snowdon conducted the service, and afterwards addressed the board briefly. The treasurer's monthly statement showed that the receipts from January 11th to February 10th were \$249.72, the expenditure \$217.20, which included \$37.50, being quarter's salary of matron at Piegan reserve; \$12 towards salary of lady missionary, Onion Lake, Sask.; \$50 towards lady missionary's salary in India; \$25 to matron at Gordon school, Qu'Appelle; \$25 towards purchase of bicycle and typewriter for Rev. J. Cooper Robinson's work in Japan; \$25 towards assisting in educating a missionary's daughter in diocese of Saskatchewan; \$25 was sent to Rev. J. Fisher at Bearbrook, Ontario, to help in rebuilding the parsonage, which was recently destroyed by fire. Letters of acknowledgment for money forwarded to the various destinations were read. During December \$50 was forwarded to the Bishop of Qu'Appelle to be given to the most needy mission, the money being the amount of Mrs. Gorrell's and Mrs. J. F. Gorman's diocesan life membership fees; by a strange coincidence this money was sent to Lipton, diocese of Qu'Appelle, where Rev. Malcolm H. Winters is in charge, and where Mr. and Mrs. Miles Cotton, formerly of Ottawa, have been residing, and have been instrumental in assisting to build a new church. Mrs. Cotton is Mrs. Gorrell's daughter. The Extra Cent a Day treasurer, Mrs. Doney, reported receipts of \$29.91, and the secretary-treasurer of junior work, Miss Parmelee, stated that \$28.82 was the sum sent in by the children during January; and that Mrs. Bousfield was now superintendent of the children's auxiliary at Pembroke, and Miss Caddy, of St. Alban's, Ottawa. The Dorcas secretary reported that the Cathedral, Perth and Cummings' Bridge branches each sent out a bale during the month, the cash value of them being \$64.73. The refunded freight amounted to \$7.43; four alms plates were sent to Gilbert Plains and Griswold, and one communion set to Nanton, Alberta. Miss Greene, the organizing secretary, reported the formation of a senior branch at Cobden, on Tuesday, February 5th. She was much encouraged by the good attendance, and the kindly interest manifested by the rector of the parish, the Rev. Frank Ritchie. Rev. F. H. Cartwright, a missionary from Corea, will give an address in Lauder Hall next Sunday evening, after Evensong, for which special arrangements will be made by the Auxiliary. Interesting letters were read from Bishop Audry, of Tokio, Japan; Miss Makeham, of the Bible Home, Matsumoto, Japan; Miss Wade, Canadian missionary to China; Rev. F. W. Kennedy, Matsumoto, and Rev. Murdoch Johnson, Spirit River, Athabasca. The programme of the Lenten lectures, which are given annually under the auspices of the Auxiliary, was announced as follows: Course of missionary studies, commencing Thursday, March 1st, at 8 p.m. Subject, Africa, Lauder Hall; March 1, The Dark Continent, Rev. Mr. Anderson; March 8, The Nile Country, Abyssinia and North Africa, Rev. Mr. Mackay. St. John's Hall, March 15th, West Africa, Canon Low; March 22nd, East Africa, Canon Mucklestone. St. Alban's, March 29th, Congo State and Central Africa, Rev. Mr. Dumbrille; April 5th, South Africa, Rev. Mr. Capp. A study class, conducted by Rev. Mr. Anderson, will be held for half an hour preceding each lecture, commencing March 8th, and all interested in missions, both men and women, are cordially invited to attend. The corresponding secretary was instructed to forward letters of sympathy to Rev. Canon Kittson, rector of the Cathedral, on the recent death of his sister, Mrs. Baker; and to Rev. T. and Mrs. Stiles, of Arnprior, who have suffered the loss by death of their oldest son, Keble. Mrs. Stiles is the deanery secretary of Renfrew, and a member of the diocesan board, for whom a great deal of sympathy is felt by her co-workers in the Auxiliary.

St. Alban's.—The Woman's Guild of this church held its second parochial re-union on the 20th inst. These gatherings are proving valuable aids in the development of the social life of the church and are greatly enjoyed and appreciated.

ONTARIO.

Kingston.—The quarterly meeting of the local branches of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in St. George's Hall on Thursday, the 15th inst., at 7.45. Reports were given by the secretaries and treasurers of the three different branches, which showed that the work was going along favourably. At eight o'clock, the Rev. Arthur Lee, M.A., who has been in the Mission field in Japan for the last seven years, and who is in this country on a well-earned rest, delivered a highly interesting lecture on the Mikado's country. There was a large attendance. The Rev. J. O. Crisp introduced the speaker, who dealt with the Mission work in the country of the Rising Sun, and their need for missionaries to help on the work. After the addresses some beautiful slides on different places in Japan were shown. The views were most minute in detail, and artistic in colouring. The Rev. J. Crisp looked after the lantern. The Venerable the Archdeacon of Kingston presented a vote of thanks to the speaker, which was seconded by the Rev. J. O. Crisp and unanimously carried.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Hubbards.—On Monday evening, February 5th, a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was organized at the rectory, by Mrs. Gibbons, the organizing secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary. Her remarks were most interesting and instructive, and a very pleasant evening was spent. Eighteen became members of the W. A., and nine subscribed to the "Letters Leaflet." The officers of St. Luke's Branch are as follows: President, Mrs. Neil C. MacLean; vice-president, Mrs. Creighton Damphine; secretary, Mrs. Richmond Dorey; treasurer, Mrs. Chas. C. MacLean.

NIAGARA.

Milton.—Grace Church.—The annual meeting of the Grace Church Branch W. A. was held in the vestry of the church on Monday afternoon, February 12th. The attendance was larger than for some years, the number being 15. Three of those present represented the new sub-branch which has just been organized in All Saints' congregation. Encouraging reports were read by the secretary and treasurer. The old executive officers were re-elected without change this year, viz.: Hon. Pres., Mrs. Belt; pres., Mrs. Dice; vice-presidents, Mrs. Panton (Milton), Mrs. Macartney (Omagh), and Mrs. James Hamilton (Terra Cotta); secretary, Mrs. Luxton;

treasurer, Mrs. Lawrence. The auditors are Mrs. S. Hamnaut and Mrs. Wilson, (Terra Cotta), representatives to Diocesan Board, Mrs. Charles Osmond and Mrs. Thomas Wilson; substitutes, Mrs. F. Martin and Miss Mackenzie. The work to be taken this year will be for the same object as for last year, namely, Sarcee Home, Calgary, Alberta. The next meeting will be held on Monday, 20th, at 2.30 p. m. in the vestry. The questions concerning missions sent out monthly by the Diocesan Board will be studied and answered, and arrangements made for the spring work. The annual meeting of St. Luke's W. A., Palermo, was held on Thursday of last week. The officers are: Honorary president, Mrs. Belt; president, Mrs. Walker Smith; secretary, Mrs. McCrimmon; treasurer, Miss Lindsay; representatives to Diocesan Board, Mesdames McCrimmon and Harrison.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Office of General Secretary, 23 Scott St., Toronto.

If readers of the "Canadian Churchman" know of any men or boys who might be held or won for God and the Church through the sympathy and friendship of a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, their names and addresses might be sent in to the General Secretary, 23 Scott St., Toronto. Names so sent will be forwarded to Local Chapters in any part of the world. The names of men and boys leaving home to live or study in cities of Canada or elsewhere are particularly desired.

Ottawa.—The Local Council of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has formulated a scheme for organizing athletic associations in connection with the Bible classes and Sunday Schools of the city. The scheme, it is understood, is in successful operation in Hamilton, and in many cities in the States, and the results have been distinctly gratifying. Each church that will co-operate will, as far as possible, provide its own quarters with such gymnastic appliances as are practicable, and with games, etc., and by this means it is expected that not only will the boys and young men of each parish become better acquainted with and more interested in one another, and an attraction offered to draw outsiders within the influence of the Church, but a friendship and friendly rivalry will be fostered between the several churches through matches and contests in various lines of sport and athletics. The project has been submitted to the clergy and has received their warm endorsement, and the local council will now go ahead to organize and get the scheme under way.

Sunday School Corner.

CHILD GOVERNMENT.

Thoughts from Johann Friedrich Herbart. The one and the whole work of education may be summed up in the concept *Morality*. The child enters the world without a will of its own. At first, in place of a true will, there is only a wild impetuosity—a principle of disorder, disturbing the plans of adults and exposing a child to infinite danger. This impetuosity must be subdued, and the subjection must be brought about by force. The principles of practical philosophy require this. But the impetuosity is not, thereby, extirpated, the root remains, increasing and growing. It is necessary constantly to keep it under an ever perceptible restraint. It all amounts to this,—such government aims at producing no change in the mind or disposition of the child, it is simply a necessary proceeding to create a spirit of order. But it is effective in preventing external harm to the child and internal strife in the child-mind. It forms automatic good habits.

Means of Child-Government.—The thoughtlessness of childish frivolity makes threats so extremely untrustworthy that supervision has long been considered the most indispensable part of child government.

But punctilious and constant supervision is burdensome alike to the supervisor and those he watches over. It is apt to be associated with deceit and thrown off at every opportunity, and the need for it grows. And every lapse is dangerous.

Worst it prevents the child participating in the formation of its own character.

But these difficulties are not an excuse for letting the child go without supervision—run wild.

Two things somewhat contrary—are to be relied on—authority and love.

Authority, worth the name, is only obtained through superiority of mind—a thing not reducible to rules. The better mind must have its course unaffected by dislikes of the weaker. The desire to do evil must be wounded by deep disapproval.

The other force, love, cannot be gained by hard tones nor excitability, nor, on the other hand, will it be gained by a familiarity, which forfeits the requisite ascendancy. Don't treat the children just as objects to amuse you. It takes time, kindness and intercourse to gain it.

Authority naturally belongs to the father, love to the mother; the teacher must co-operate if possible with them.

The less the child is exposed to outside, and often adverse, opinions (companions or adults) the better—hence the difficulties of proper government in towns, and public schools.

Sometimes we get much wisdom in a few words. A Sunday School teacher, in a communication to the "Sunday School Times" some fifteen years ago, says the following: In eighteen years' experience as a primary teacher, from the very start I have aimed at two things—first, to study every lesson just as carefully as if I were to teach a Bible class, and then simplify to the little ones only two or three of its leading points; second, love the children with all my heart, and seek their love and confidence in return, as well as that of their parents. Had either of these two factors been wanting in my work, I could never have had the blessing upon that work which it would be wrong not to believe God has vouchsafed me.

THE TEACHER.

I know not whether good or ill
May come from what I do,
Nor if my feeble strength may serve
To toil the whole day through,
I only know that I must strive
His bidding to pursue.

And if my little humble part
On earth be soon forgot,
And if to other eyes it seem
That failure is my lot
What matter, if I serve but Him,
Whose glory changeth not.

—Acton Hope.

THE CHRISTIAN'S A. B. C.

A. Arm yourselves likewise with the same mind. —1 Peter iv:7.

B. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. —Gal. vi:2.

C. Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you. —1 Peter v:7.

CONSCIENCE.

It is a very terrible thing to let conscience begin to grow hard, for it soon chills into a northern iron and steel. It is like the freezing of a pond. The first film of ice is hardly perceptible, keep the water stirring and you will prevent the frost from binding it, but once let it film over and remain quiet, the glaze thickens over the surface, and it thickens still, and at last it is so firm that a wagon might be drawn over the solid ice. So with conscience, it films over gradually until it is callous and cannot be crushed by iniquities. —Great Thoughts.

Home & Foreign Church News

From our own Correspondents.

NOVA SCOTIA.

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

Halifax.—St. Luke's Cathedral.—A meeting was held on Wednesday evening, February 7th, of the members of the congregation, in order to deal with the matter of the erection of a new cathedral. The principal business was the consideration of a draught agreement between the congregation of St. Luke's parish and the Bishop representing the Cathedral Corporation. The agreement, although there were a few amendments, was adopted in its main features. A resolution was also passed to empower the Corporation to obtain any legislation which might be necessary to carry it into effect. The agreement gives to the Corporation the present site on Morris Street, and the sum of \$20,000, etc., on condition that they begin the erection of a cathedral one year after the agreement was signed, to cost not less than a hundred thousand dollars, and to be built on a site no further north than Spring Gardens Road. The agreement stipulates that the women members of the congregation shall have the right to vote at all the meetings. This is an innovation in the Church.

FREDERICTON.

Hollingsworth Tully Kingdon, D.D., Bishop, Fredericton, N.B.

St. John's.—The annual meeting of the Church of England Institute was held in the Institute rooms on Thursday, February 8th. The report of the council was read by the president, the Rev. Canon Richardson, and taken up section by section, and on recommendation referred to the incoming council. The election of officers resulted in the Rev. Canon Richardson being re-elected president, H. C.

Tilley, Dr. J. H. Scammell, Mrs. E. M. Shadbolt, Mrs. Thomas Walker, and Mrs. John McMillan, vice-presidents. Members of the council: J. Roy Campbell, H. B. Schofield, E. L. Perkins, H. H. Pickett, R. E. Coupe, N. W. Brennan, W. S. Fisher, Mrs. G. F. Smith, Mrs. J. R. Armstrong, Mrs. J. H. McAvity, Mrs. W. D. Forster, Mrs. G. A. Kubring, Mrs. J. A. Richardson, Mrs. John M. Hay.

Waterford.—The regular quarterly session of the Chapter of the rural deanery of Kingston was held in the rectory here on Tuesday, February 6th. Officers for the ensuing year were elected, the reports were received, and there were several interesting discussions. Owing to the unfavourable condition of the roads, the illness of one of the members, and the remoteness of Waterford from some of the parishes in the deanery the attendance was not large. The meeting was, however, important and profitable, and through the kindness and hospitality of Rev. G. L. Freebern, Mrs. Freebern and several parishioners, a very pleasant one. An interesting discussion arose out of the reading of the second chapter of Hebrews in the Greek, and a consideration of part of the morning service in the Book of Common Prayer. The reports were taken up and showed the affairs of the various organizations in the deanery to be in a satisfactory condition. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President of Choral Union: R. H. Warneford; conductor, Rural Dean Hannington; secretary, Rev. S. Neales; secretary of the deanery, Rev. A. W. Daniel; library committee, Revs. R. Coleman, S. Neales and C. P. Hannington; nomination for the Board of Home Missions, Rev. S. Neales and G. O. Dickson Otty. Nominations for the standing committee on Sunday Schools, Rev. H. H. Gillies and George Raymond. At the evening service, which was held in St. John's Church, Waterford, the sermon was preached by Rev. A. W. Daniel, rector of Rothesay. The Holy Communion was celebrated on the following morning, and after partaking of breakfast at the rectory the members returned to their homes.

MONTREAL.

Wm. Bennett Bond, D.D., Archbishop, Montreal.
James Carmichael, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor.

Montreal.—St. Andrew's.—Rev. T. W. Ball, B.A., a graduate of Lennoxville, was duly inducted as rector of St. Andrew's on Tuesday evening, the 13th, in the presence of a large congregation. The clergy present included Ven. Dr. Ker, Archdeacon of St. Andrew's, and rector of Grace Church, Montreal; also the Revs. Messrs. Ascham of Grenville, and Charters, of Lachute. The special induction office of the Church, like all her other offices, was highly impressive, the keys of the church having been solemnly delivered to the new rector by the wardens, Dr. G. F. Shaw and Mr. R. W. Jones. At the conclusion of the induction service a most eloquent sermon was preached by Archdeacon Ker from the text, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the House of the Lord." The parish of St. Andrew's is one of the oldest rectories in the Diocese of Montreal, and indeed in all Canada, having been established in the year 1811, and has had as former rectors such men as Richard Bradford, M.A., Joseph Abbott, M.A., Wm. Abbott, M.A., and Archdeacon Lonsdale, M.A. The bell in the tower of this church, bearing date of 1750, is the oldest in use in any Protestant Church in Canada.

Montreal.—The Diocesan Sunday School Association held its annual meeting on Thursday evening, February 8th, in the Synod Hall. An unusually large number of Sunday School workers attended the well managed gathering. Dr. Carmichael was in the chair and introduced the following speakers: Rev. H. E. Horsey, who dealt in a most practical manner with the question "What can we do to instruct our young people who cannot, or will not, attend Sunday School?" Rev. Dr. Tucker, who took as his subject, "The best method of interesting young people in missions"; Revs. G. Ereaux and Rural Dean Harris, to whom was entrusted the duty of diagnosing the various needs of the country and city Sunday Schools; and the Rev. Rural Dean Jenkins, who spoke on the fostering of habits of devotion. The meeting was under the direction of the Venerable Archdeacon Ker, and testified to the wisdom of the Bishop in once more nominating Dr. Ker as convener of the Montreal Diocesan S. S. Association.

McGill University.—The Rev. Herbert Symonds, D.D., delivered the annual university sermon to McGill students in Strathcona Hall on Sunday afternoon, the 12th inst. Seated on the platform were: Principal Scrimger, Principal Hill, the Rev. J. L. Gilmour, and as representatives of the faculty, Dr. Clark-Murray, Dr. Johnson, Dean Walton, Dean Bovey, Prof. MacBride, Prof. MacLeod and Dr. Colby, who acted as chairman. After hymns and prayers by Principal Scrimger and Principal Hill, Dean Walton read the Scripture lesson. The quartette sang "When the Weary Seeking Rest," and Dr. Colby gave a brief foreword about the subject of the university sermon. Dr. Symonds announced his text as Matt. xiii. 52. "which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old." Upon these words the preacher found a powerful and interesting discourse.

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Quyon.—The Ladies' Guild have installed six new angle lamps in the church, which improves the light very much. A pleasing incident took place at the rectory, Quyon, on Friday evening, the occasion being an informal gathering of the day members of the congregation. As intended, the event proved quite a surprise to the rector, who, as his flock, old and young, and accompanied by friends of other denominations trooped in, shook off his surprise and extended a cordial invitation to all. None came empty handed, and as an evidence of the esteem in which their worthy rector is held a great store of good things rapidly accumulated. A very pleasant evening was spent, choice selections of music by the ladies contributing much to the pleasure of the evening. Several addresses were given, that of Mr. James Steele fully sustaining his reputation as a humorist whose genial sallies leave no sting behind. The evening closed with an address by Mr. Buckland, in which he thanked his guests for the unexpected evidence of their abiding good will and also for the generous provision of good things which gave a pleasurable emphasis to the occasion.

THE DIOCESAN SYNOD.

(Continued.)

Aid to Parishes.—Mr. H. J. Webber introduced a motion asking that power be given to the Executive Committee to extend aid, at its own discretion, to parishes on the island of Montreal, even though the stipend guaranteed by the parish exceeded the minimum canonical stipend. Dr. A. Johnston and Dean Evans supported this measure on the ground of the increased cost of living in the city as compared with the country, and the necessity of trying to place the salaries of the urban and the rural incumbent on an equal basis. In the country a clergyman had the use of a free rectory while in the city he was obliged to pay a high rental for his home. Rev. Mr. Overing did not see that the measure should be insular in its application, and moved an amendment that all increases in the grants over the canonical stipend be dealt with directly by the Synod. The amendment carried. The consideration of certain requests for increased grants followed. By vote of the Synod, Outremont was allowed to retain the grant given by the Synod last year, and a grant of \$175 was made to St. Cyprian's. This latter with the amount guaranteed by the parish brings the incumbent's stipend to \$1,000.

Mission Fund Grants.—The changing of the Mission Fund grants led to an interesting discussion. Rev. G. Abbott-Smith disapproved wholly of the principle that the Synod and not the executive should determine what the grants should be. As, however, action had been taken in the case of Outremont and St. Cyprian's, he would move that the grant to Amherst Park or St. Alban's be increased from \$400 to \$500, bringing the clergyman's stipend to \$800. Dr. L. H. Davidson protested that the action taken by the Synod in tampering with the Mission Fund was very dangerous. The principle had been recognized for years that if a church in the city undertook the work of extension in the suburbs it must bear the whole cost. The Mission Fund was intended primarily for country parishes, and the principle had been broken down gradually to meet special cases. This had gone far enough. The grants to St. Cyprian's and Outremont had at least kept within the limits of \$400 laid down by the rules under which the Mission Fund was administered. With the motion to increase the grant to \$500 for Amherst Park this limit had been transgressed. Dr. Butler, who had acted many years as treasurer of the Amherst Park Fund, was opposed to an increase of grant, while Mr. Lansing Lewis, as treasurer, disapproved of the principle of exceeding the \$400 maximum. Rev. Frank Charters opposed a motion to refer the application of Amherst Park to the Executive. There did not exist an application, and besides, the Executive would be unable to act in the matter, being hemmed in by so many restrictions. The motion was withdrawn.

Bishop's College Report.—The annual report of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, was brought in by Rev. Principal Waite. In presenting the report he stated that he realized that there were more Lennoxville men in Montreal than in any other town in Canada. There had always been close connection between Montreal and Lennoxville, and he hoped that this would become closer and stronger. The residential character of Bishop's College, and the fact that it was a daughter of the Church made it unnecessary that there should be any rivalry between Bishop's and a big institution like McGill. Reference was made to the kindly relations existing between the Montreal Diocesan College and Bishop's College. On coming to Lennoxville the principal said that he had found it in a healthy condition, and there was everywhere ample evidence of the work done by his predecessor, Dr. Whitney. The number of students was on the increase, and the tone of the school was excellent. He had had experience of the English public schools, but the equipment of this Canadian institution was surprising to him. The treasurer's report, embodied in the printed report of the Executive Committee was taken up by Mr. Lansing Lewis. It passed with but little discussion. The report states that there is an increase in parochial subscriptions to the Mission Fund of \$1,300 as well as an increase of \$1,500 in the amount transferred from the Sustentation, Clergy Trust, and Shelton Funds. The report read in part:—
Treasurer's Report.—"The balance of debt standing at

31st of December, 1904, of \$764.59, has been met by a special donation of \$500, and \$289.50 collected by the Dean and Archdeacon Ker. All this has contributed to make a credit balance in the Mission Fund account of \$3,923.81. The chief factor in producing this balance, however, must not be lost sight of, and is one which cannot be considered satisfactory, namely, that during the past year six or seven parishes have been supplied, of necessity for lack of fully ordained men, by lay readers, and (for part of the year) by deacons. At the ordination in December last, seven deacons were advanced to the priesthood, and will require to be paid priests' stipend for 1906. In view of the fact that many of the parishes or missions receiving aid from the Synod are well able (if only they could be induced to do so) to contribute much more largely than they do to the support of the clergy, through the annual parochial guarantees, one might almost suggest that the balance be not touched when the grants are made to parishes for 1906, and inasmuch as the Widows' and Orphans' Fund has had under its canon for years a claim upon the Synod which has never been met, it might at least be considered whether the said balance should be used towards reducing the heavy debt still resting on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. Apart from the credit balance and any considerable increase in parochial guarantees, to increase the stipends and bring them up to the new canonical standard, at least from \$14,000 to \$15,000 of Mission Fund collections will be required from the parishes for 1906. The debt on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund has been reduced, first by the placing to the credit of the fund, by authority of the Archbishop, \$900 of interest derived from the Mrs. Alonzo Wright bequest to Home Missions; secondly, by increased subscriptions through clergymen paying arrears in order to come as subscribers upon the fund. The deficit of over \$4,000 is still more than sufficiently large to call for special effort to relieve the fund, and put it on a more satisfactory basis. The whole question regarding this fund will be brought before the Executive Committee, through the Widows' and Orphans' Committee report. The debit balance on the Superannuation Fund is \$651.15, an increase over 1904, when at 31st December it was \$526.55."

In previous years during the session of the Anglican Diocesan Synod it has been customary to hold missionary evening services in the Synod Hall. On the present occasion it was decided to transfer the venue to one of the city churches, and last night there was a considerable gathering at St. George's Church to listen to Bishop Hall, of Vermont, delivering the annual address. The reverend gentleman spoke with appealing eloquence and was followed throughout with rapt attention, as in telling fashion he set forth the claims of those who labour in the outlying sections of the vineyard in all sorts and conditions of weather, and an altogether inadequate financial remuneration. Bishop Carmichael presided, and the other speakers were Ven. Archdeacon Naylor, rector of Shawville, and Archdeacon Ker, of Grace Church, Point St. Charles, prayers being read by Rev. Mr. Plumptre, while Mr. Illsley presided at the organ. Bishop Hall took as the basis of his address the word "our" from the Lord's Prayer, and at the outset emphasized missionary work, whether domestic or foreign, as coming under three heads, work in their own diocese, in their own city, and beyond its borders. It meant simply the extension to others of the privileges they themselves enjoyed and prized. All through the Lord's Prayer it would be observed the word "our" was an outstanding one. Not "my Father," but "our Father;" not forgive "me," give "me" my daily bread, etc. Oh no, it was "our" all the way. This was true Christian socialism, not what might be termed unsocial Christianity. It was the duty of the Church members to associate others with themselves; that they should share with others all they asked for and prized for themselves; that what they dreaded for themselves they should ward off from others. The work of the missionaries on the outskirts of the diocese was rough and needed smoothing out and needed extension, and it was not only a duty but a privilege that they in the larger, more wealthy congregations should contribute more generously even than in the past. Some might, and some did, say of the future, they were sure the Great Judge would do right, that all would have a fair chance according to his opportunities and his lights, that surely mercy was in all the works of the Lord; He would lose none, nor would He reject any; that the test would not be ecclesiastical, or religious exercises, but character. Arguing in this fashion, there were men and women who asked where then was the motive for sending to the heathen, for wouldn't they be likely to get right in the long run. This, said Bishop Hall, might be largely true. But it was not the whole truth. They were not working simply and solely for the future life. They were working to make the life of every man and woman throughout the land, and beyond, brighter, sweeter, happier. Archdeacon Ker, of Christ Church, Point St. Charles, outlined the extensive work done by the forty-three missionary parishes existing in the district of Montreal, and warmly praised the generous contribution of \$4,000 from St. George's Church, in aid of diocesan missions. About \$15,000 will be required this year for this purpose. The forty-three missionaries, who often have four out-stations, now receive \$700 on entering upon their duties as priests, and their salaries are raised to \$800 after ten years' service. Archdeacon Naylor, rector of Shawville, gave in a few words the history of the parish of Hull, near Ottawa, which was organized in 1800 by United Empire Loyalists. It included territory on both shores of the Ottawa River, and from it the parishes of

Ottawa City, and Hull, and of adjoining townships have sprung.

Thursday, February 8th.—At the forenoon session of the Synod to-day, the Rev. Dr. Tucker, the general secretary of the C. C. M. S., who has recently returned from a tour of the western portions of the Dominion, gave a very interesting address in which he detailed the present position of the Church in that part of Canada. He stated that the key to the whole situation in raising mission funds is the incumbent of the parish. He quoted the words of the late Rev. Dr. Warden, "the minister of finance" of the Presbyterian Church, that with the minister lay the secret of raising funds for religious purposes. The incumbent must make his appeal reach every family, every member of his Church. Dr. Tucker outlined the vastness of the Western field, and impressed the need of earnest and prompt effort. The diocese of Saskatchewan had received 80,000 settlers in two and a half years. It was prairie land, where colonization was rapid. It would soon have three great transcontinental railways. The Church of England must awaken or it would be left behind, as in districts where it had not one clergyman, the Methodists and Presbyterian bodies had three or four. He recalled the loss the Church had sustained in Ontario owing to the enterprise of the other denominations. At the conclusion of this address, the regular business of the Synod was continued, the first motion being one by Rural Dean Dart, that the Archbishop be requested to name a building committee, consisting of six clergymen and six laymen to examine the plans, estimates, and tenders for all church buildings, and that no such building be undertaken until two-thirds of the committee concurred. Mr. Lansing Lewis seconded this, laying stress on the necessity of seeing that the sites of such buildings were free from encumbrance. Dr. Davidson remarked that the motion was unnecessary, there being already a canon concerning the matter. Archdeacon Norton was strongly in favour of some such action as the motion inferred. He outlined instances in his own experience where people had asked for churches for selfish purposes, where buildings had been badly constructed, and too much money had been spent. Archdeacon Norton proposed an amendment, eliminating the veto power of the committee. Canon Smith declared that in the Synod there was a tendency to multiply Bishops, and to multiply machinery. He did not like the veto power of the committee, it was a reflection on the parishes. They were mistaken in church building, but he could not see why half a dozen business men in Montreal should know more about the affairs of a parish they had never seen than the parishioners themselves. Let the matter remain as it was, with the Bishop under the canon. The parish had its rights, and this looked like interfering. The Ven. Davidson supported the contention. After some discussion the mover agreed to strike out the part of the motion giving the suggested committee veto rights. Bishop Carmichael, however, ruled that the whole motion was an infringement of the Archbishop's rights as well as an infringement of canon. Both motion and amendment were withdrawn. On motion of Rev. H. E. Horsey, a decree for the erection of the parish of St. Alban's was passed. Dr. Butler proposed an amended canon to govern the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. He suggested a consolidation of all the funds of the Church and charge the parishes direct without the necessity of subscriptions. They would know what was required, and it would not be necessary to charge one fund with another. With regard to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, the proposal was to strike out sections 2 and 3 of the canon dealing with the raising of the money for the fund from the Synod, the clergymen and collections, and substitute a clause to the effect that each rectory should remit to the treasurer each year a sum equivalent to two per cent. of the stipend of their clergymen for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. He further suggested that one per cent. go for the Superannuation Fund, and 2 1/2 per cent. for general expenditure, making a total of six per cent. levy for the expenses of the Church. The mover explained at length the advantages of the proposed change in the management of the fund, stating that as it was at present governed it was neither a business affair nor a charitable institution. The suggestion was, however, considered to be too radical a matter to be decided at once, and settlement of the question was deferred until a later date. At the afternoon session of the Synod the report of the Montreal Sunday School Association was read by Archdeacon Ker. The Association called the attention of Sunday School teachers to the supreme value of the Sunday School as an opportunity for helping the children to form and foster habits of personal devotion. The statistics for the year were as follows: Number of scholars, 8,625; teachers and officers, 777; total offerings, \$5,485; of the total to missions in general, \$2,036. There is no considerable change in the number of scholars as compared with the previous year. The gross offerings show an increase of \$252 over those of 1904. In the sum devoted to missionary purposes of all kinds, there is a decrease of \$1,384, occurring mainly in parishes and Missions of the Deanery of Hochelaga. The report was adopted. The report of the mission work in the lumber districts was presented by Archdeacon Naylor. The importance of the work was shown, even though the percentage of men of the Anglican faith was not large. The report of the committee on statistics was presented by Rural Dean Harris. Dr. L. F. Davidson urged that the statistics should be tabulated in a comparative manner. The work of the committee upon "Young People coming to Montreal" was set forth by Rev. J. G. Naylor. A request had been made by the General Synod that parents and friends of young people coming to Montreal should send letters to the city clergy. The committee had in

1905 received an increased number of such letters. The opium question was the next to receive attention, and in connection with a resolution introduced by Archdeacon Naylor, letters were read from the secretary of the Toronto branch of the Anti-Opium League, urging the adoption of a memorial, expressive of the views of the Synod, upon the matter. The Ven. Archdeacon Davidson gave expression to some strong views upon the tobacco habit, in moving the amendment of the resolution, (which, however, did not go to a vote.) by the addition of the following clause: "And further, that like expression and sympathy be extended to any and all efforts to lessen the excessive use of tobacco, and more particularly that of cigarettes in our own land and Empire." The mover referred to the habit as one of the most pernicious of the present day, stating that during the past year more had been spent in the Mother Land upon cigarettes than upon the entire Foreign Missionary work. "Let us amend our evils at home before turning our attention to foreign lands," he said, in conclusion. The memorial was as follows: Moved by Archdeacon Naylor, seconded by Rev. H. Gomery: "That the Synod hereby affirms its sympathy with the efforts of the Anti-Opium League in co-operation with the Churches of Great Britain and America, to secure the suppression of the opium traffic with China, and prays that this effort may be crowned with the Divine blessing and that a committee be appointed to draught a memorial to be sent to the Secretary of State of the Dominion to forward to His Majesty King Edward, our convictions on the subject." The resolution was adopted. A motion introduced by Rev. W. J. P. Baugh, Portage du Fort, was responsible for no little cross-firing in a good natured way. It was as follows:— Moved by Rev. W. J. P. Baugh, Portage du Fort: That following Clause 2, in Canon V in Status of Parishes, be inserted the following clause, viz.: "That parishes and missions shall be regarded as vicarages under the more immediate jurisdiction of the Bishop of the Diocese, and shall be termed vicarages and their clergy shall be termed vicars." The Ven. Archdeacon Naylor, in seconding the motion, expressed the opinion that in Canada there is no title fitting to the position similar to that of vicar in England, and that it is advisable to introduce the title in this country. Dr. Davidson opposed the proposal, which in his opinion was "opposed to the spirit of the work of the Church in Canada. "What title," he said, "can be better than that of 'Priest?'" The motion was lost on division. The Ven. Archdeacon Norton introduced his motion requesting His Grace the Archbishop, as Lord Bishop of Montreal, to appoint a clergyman as a paid diocesan canvasser at a salary of \$1,000 per annum, with an additional sum of \$150 for travelling expenses. Among the objects of the canvass specified were to obtain signed promises of subscriptions towards the Diocesan Mission Fund, the W. & O. Fund, and the Superannuation Fund, and also to the increase of the incumbent's salary until it reaches at least the Canonical standard. The proposal was ultimately allowed to stand over for a year. The Rev. Rural Dean Jeakins read the report of the committee on stipends. A canvass made since March last for the purpose of increasing the stipends in the different parishes, had resulted in securing a total addition of over \$2,000. The scrutineers reported the election of the following: Clerical delegates to Provincial Synod, Archdeacon Naylor, Dean Evans, Rev. Prof. G. Abbott Smith, Archdeacon Ker, Archdeacon Davidson, Rev. Principal Rexford, Canon Smith, Rev. G. O. Troop, Archdeacon Norton, Canon Renaud, Rev. Arthur French. Substitutes, Rev. E. Bushell, Rural Dean Robinson, Rural Dean Saunders, Rev. Dr. Symonds, Canon Dixon, Canon Empson. Lay delegates to Provincial Synod: Senator Owens, H. J. Mudge, Dr. L. H. Davidson, Chancellor Bethune, R. Wilson Smith, Dr. T. P. Butler, Judge Foster, Richard White, Lansing Lewis, G. F. C. Smith, S. Carsley. Substitutes, W. H. Robinson, F. H. Mathewson, Thomas Hunter, E. R. Smith, A. P. Tippet, Dr. Alex. Johnson. Clerical delegates to General Synod, Dean Evans, Archdeacon Naylor, Rev. Prof. Abbott Smith, Rev. Principal Rexford, Archdeacon Davidson, Canon Smith, Archdeacon Ker, Archdeacon Norton. Substitutes, Rev. G. O. Troop, Rural Dean Robinson, Rev. Dr. Symonds, Rev. Frank Charters. Lay delegates to General Synod, Senator Owens, Richard White, Chancellor Bethune, Lansing Lewis, H. J. Mudge, Dr. T. P. Butler, Dr. L. H. Davidson, S. Carsley. Substitutes, W. H. Robinson, Thomas Hunter, A. P. Tippet, H. F. Williams. Clerical representatives on General Mission Board, Archdeacon Ker, Dean Evans. Substitutes, Rev. Principal Rexford, Rev. G. O. Troop. Lay representatives on General Mission Board, Dr. L. H. Davidson, Lansing Lewis. Substitutes, A. P. Tippet, F. H. Mathewson. Diocesan Court, Archdeacon Naylor, Dean Evans, Rural Dean Robinson, Rev. G. O. Troop, Rev. Principal Rexford, Archdeacon Ker, Archdeacon Davidson, Canon Longhurst, Archdeacon Norton, Canon Renaud, Rev. Edmund Wood, Canon Ellegood, Canon Rollit, Rev. Dr. Symonds, Canon Nye.

A sparse attendance of delegates marked the closing hours of the Friday, February 9th, Synod meeting, and on this, the final day, the principal business consisted of the presentation of three reports of standing committees. A brief report was received from the committee on the better observance of the Lord's Day. The fact of its adoption without discussion gave rise to a remark from the chair that the procedure of business should be so altered as to permit of important reports being received earlier. The one under consideration he considered one of the most important, but discussion was precluded by lack of time. He suggested the appointment of a committee to consider such reports prior to the meeting of the Synod. The report dwelt upon the fact that the love of money formed the chief reason

for much of the desecration of the Lord's Day. The report of the committee on the evangelization of the Jews in Montreal was presented by Rev. D. J. Neugevirtz. The constantly increasing number of Jews, which now reached 21,000, rendered the work too arduous for one missionary. Assistance in the way of welcoming the Jews at the city churches was requested. The financial assistance was of secondary consideration, being provided for by the London Society. Three thousand four hundred and eighty-one tracts, and 1,787 testaments had been distributed during the year. Archdeacon Ker spoke briefly in approbation of the work of the Mission on Lagouchetiere Street. The London Society would be responsible for its support under the new arrangement. More money was sent from Canada annually for Jewish work than was received. Lack of funds was the cause attributed for the limited character of the work of the committee on French missions. There had been little change in the work during the year. The removal of the present license fee of \$8 was the subject of some discussion in connection with the reception of the report of the committee for marriage licenses. Rural Dean Robinson spoke strongly on the subject, urging the necessity of concerted action in view of the fact that the present fee caused many people to go over the border, where the laws were less stringent, to get married. A resolution was introduced by Dean Evans to petition the Government to change Thanksgiving Day from Thursday to Monday, with the object of allowing a longer holiday for those returning to their homes from a distance. The resolution, after some discussion, was allowed to stand as a notice of motion. Archdeacon Davidson gave notice of motion, in which the excessive use of tobacco, and particularly cigarettes, was deplored, and asking the Synod to assist the general movement to restrict their sale. The following was announced to be the result of the balloting for the new executive council: Clerical, Rural Dean Carmichael, Dean Evans, Archdeacon Naylor, Canon Longhurst, Rural Dean Robinson, Rural Dean Jeakins, Archdeacon Ker, Rural Dean Dart, Rural Dean Harris, the Rev. F. Charters, the Rev. J. H. Bell, Canon Smith, Archdeacon Norton, Archdeacon Davidson, the Rev. G. O. Troop, the Rev. N. A. F. Bourne, Canon Chambers, Canon Dixon, Rural Dean Taylor, Rural Dean Sanders. Lay: Messrs. H. J. Mudge, R. White, Dr. T. P. Butler, Dr. A. Johnson, Senator Owens, W. H. Robinson, J. M. Fisk, Chancellor Bethune, E. Buzzell, Judge Foster, Thomas Hunter, A. Pridham, S. O. Shorey, G. Durnford, E. A. Dyer, Dr. L. H. Davidson, G. F. C. Smith, F. H. Mathewson, Edgar Judge, E. R. Smith. The Synod adjourned at 4:30 p.m., to meet again on February 5th, 1907.

ONTARIO.

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

Kingston.—At a special meeting of the Executive Committee of Ontario Diocese on Monday, February 12th, All Saints' Church and parish passed out of life. The abandoned building was sold to St. Luke's Church, which is occupying the same ground. The building will be moved to St. Luke's Church grounds and used as a church hall. Tenders will be asked for the purchase of All Saints' site, and the proceeds of both sales will be handed over by the Bishop as trustee to the holders of the debentures forming the only parish debt.

Belleville.—A conference, in which clergy and Methodist ministers took part, was held in this city on Wednesday, the 7th February. The Very Rev. the Dean of Ontario presided, and amongst others present were: The Ven. Archdeacon Carey, Canons Jaryls and Bogert, Rural Deans Armstrong, Beamish and Dibb; Revs. C. A. French, Costigan, Radcliffe, R. S. Forneri, Irvine, Mactear, Armitage, Williamson, Blagrove, Fleming, De Pencier, Clarke, Wright, J. R. Jones, Byers, Fraser, A. L. Geen. The Methodist ministers were Revs. M. E. Wilson, Leitch, McCamus, Metzler, Adams, Martin, Thomas Maybee, White, McCall. After prayer by the chairman, Canon Bogert and the Rev. Mr. Leitch were elected secretaries. The Dean made an appropriate and impressive opening address, in which he pointed out the wonderful change that had taken place in men's minds in a very few years regarding the whole question of Christian unity. Henry Ward Beecher said that the idea of organic union between the disunited denominations of Christians was "a mere phantasm, which should be chased from every mind." His successor, Newell D. Hillis, says: "The prayer of our Lord for the unity of His Church must be brought about, for the world will not be brought to Christ's feet except by a united Church." This result can be reached only by faith, patience, charity and prayer. The Dean also referred to the awful waste of men and money, the crippling of missionary effort caused by the division of Christians. The Rev. Mr. Costigan gave a brief history of the movement resulting in this conference. The Rev. M. E. Wilson, of Northport, the prime mover in the matter, then read the first paper, entitled "The

History of the Disunity of the Church." It was a masterly and exhaustive treatment of the subject, and can hardly be epitomized in a short report like this without destroying the close connection of its different parts. Beginning at the Apostolic period, he took a keen and close survey of the various schisms and "renderings of the Body," with the causes and results of each. His conclusion showed a decided leaning toward the Episcopal form of Church government, with a clear preference for the Greek or Eastern type. The paper was much enjoyed. Archdeacon Carey then read a paper on "The Necessity and Advantages of Reunion," prepared by Archdeacon MacMorine, who could not be present. It was written in the Archdeacon's forcible but gentle style, bewailing the troubles and disadvantages fixed upon the work of Christianity in the world by "our unhappy divisions." Rev. Mr. McCamus then gave his paper on "Organic Union a Necessary Outcome of Christian Unity." It was an extremely thoughtful and strong exposition of the subject, much on the same lines as those taken by the former paper, and written in the happiest spirit of desire for the union of the severed members of the Body corporate. Then followed earnest and strong addresses by Rev. Messrs. Leitch, White and French, and the Conference adjourned.

The evening session opened at 7:30, the Dean again taking the chair in the unfortunate but unavoidable absence of Dr. Dyer. The subject, "A Possible Polity for a Reunited Church in Canada," brought out two strong and characteristic papers from the Rev. E. Costigan, from the Anglican points of view, and Dr. Metzler from that of the Methodists. Mr. Costigan sketched the polity of the Church in the Apostolic and sub-Apostolic age up to the middle of the second century, at which time the Episcopal form of government had become universal. It was an interesting and clever paper, and afforded plenty of food for thought. Dr. Metzler followed with a strongly written and forcibly expressed paper, in which his view seemed to be diametrically opposed to that of Anglicans, or of any who accept episcopacy in any form. He thought that union of all godly people in Christ, without any outward unity, was the true polity for Christian people. The logical trend of the paper seemed to lead to the conclusion that the best possible polity for Christian people is to have no polity at all, that is in the form of Church government; that it is sufficient if all can work in faith and love for the spread of God's Kingdom, and that success in winning souls and doing good generally is all the proof needed, all the credentials required, by one calling himself a messenger of God. It was an original and interesting paper. Several earnest and hopeful speeches were then made by various members of the Conference, each, of course, speaking from his own point of view, and the meeting closed at 10:30 by singing the Doxology and the Benediction from the Dean. The Conference will assuredly do good. It was carried on with the best of good fellowship and friendliness. Not a single word was said to cause the least friction, and if nothing further comes of it, the Conference will be long remembered by those present for the harmony and good feeling evinced and for the opportunity it gave for becoming better acquainted with one another, and so better understanding one another. During the Conference a message was received from the Peterboro' Ministerial Association, wishing the Conference every success in the work in which it was engaged.

Picton.—St. Mary Magdalene.—On February 5th the Brotherhood of St. Andrew gave an "At Home" for the men of the congregation, and about sixty men were present, and spent a most enjoyable evening. At a special vestry meeting on February the 12th Mr. D. J. Barker was elected churchwarden for the remainder of the year. Mr. S. Albert Seeds, the former churchwarden, having recently moved to York Mills. About two months ago the Rev. W. G. Armitage appointed Mr. R. E. Wright his churchwarden in place of Mr. C. H. Widdifield, who, having been made junior judge for Grey county, moved to Owen Sound. The first act of the new churchwardens was to increase the vicar's salary \$100, thus showing in a practical way their appreciation of the work which he is doing here. The Woman's Guild has been very active the past month trying to raise as much money as possible to apply on the old debt before Lent begins. Two "At Homes," a supper and a lecture have been the results of their work. The lecture, "Fireside Facts and Fancies," given by the Rev. J. J. Rae, was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by those present. Mr. Rae's ability as a lecturer is well known, and his kindness in aiding the Guild was thoroughly appreciated.

Brockville.—St. Paul's very instructive address in the schoolhouse on February 8th. There was a large audience present. Mr. Meade gave several musical numbers, which passed off

Bancroft.—St. John's wife, was recently new Singer sewing machine given to the congregation.

Strathcona.—St. John's superintendent of the rector and Mrs. Dowd evening, February 9th Mr. Granger, on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Dowd, and glass fruit dish, thanked the children for giving them work

Adolphustown.—The Rev. Mr. Doan, present on Kingston, and rector awarded the Guild prize of the members of Church Musicians' prize was awarded for were many compositions competing for the prize.

Charles Hamilton

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Brockville.—St. Paul's.—Mr. Emory gave a very instructive address on "Music and Sound" in the schoolhouse on Thursday evening, February 8th. There was a large and appreciative audience present. Messrs. Yorke and Warren gave several musical selections during the evening, which passed off very pleasantly.

Bancroft.—St. John's.—Mrs. Dixon, the rector's wife, was recently presented with a fine new Singer sewing machine by the members of the congregation.

Strathcona.—St. Jude's.—Mr. Frank Granger, superintendent of the Sunday School, invited the rector and Mrs. Dowdell to a meeting on Friday evening, February 9th. When all had assembled, Mr. Granger, on behalf of the scholars, presented Mr. and Mrs. Dowdell with a handsome silver and glass fruit dish. In reply Mr. Dowdell thanked the children for their beautiful present, also giving them words of encouragement.

Adolphustown.—The Rev. Canon Roberts, M.A., rector of St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, and rector of this parish, has been awarded the Guild prize at the annual conference of the members of the Incorporated Guild of Church Musicians in London, England. The prize was awarded for a quadruple chant. There were many compositions sent in by others competing for the prize.

OTTAWA.

Charles Hamilton, D.D., Bishop, Ottawa.

Ottawa.—At the last meeting of the Clerical Guild of the city the proportion to be assessed to each church of the amount allotted to this diocese of the total needed for the work of the M.S.C.C. for 1906 was decided upon. Last year the total amount asked for was \$98,748, of which \$90,641.78 was actually subscribed. This year the Board asks for \$109,100, and in view of the fact that many parishes admittedly fell far below what might be reasonably expected of them, and the further fact that the need is greater than ever there should be no deficiency at the close of this year. Ottawa diocese led last year with \$680 over and above the assessment, and the expectation is that there will be no failure to maintain the high standard then set. The assessment on the city parishes is as follows: Christ Church Cathedral, \$800; St. George's, \$700; Grace, \$400; All Saints', \$500; St. John's, \$200; St. Alban's, \$225; St. Matthew's, \$125; St. Luke's, \$75; St. Barnabas', \$85; St. Bartholomew's, \$70; Billings' Bridge, \$40; Ottawa East, \$40; Hintonburg, \$40, and Cummings' Bridge, \$40. Total, \$3,540.

The Rev. E. A. Anderson reports encouraging results from his canvass for the Diocesan Endowment Augmentation Fund. The task Mr. Anderson has undertaken is that of raising the sum of \$100,000; of this he has secured a fifth, being \$15,000, in the city of Ottawa and \$5,000 outside. This is fully up to the estimate which had been made for the district so far covered, and if the rest of the diocese responds with equal generosity to his appeal the amount needed will be secured.

A scheme is under discussion for taking a religious census of the city of Ottawa similar to that recently taken in Toronto. The Clerical Guild has been invited to co-operate with the other denominations in carrying out the work, and has signified its willingness to do so.

St. Matthew's.—The congregation is holding a three days' "Made in Ottawa" fair this week to raise money for a new organ, which is badly needed.

Mattawa.—St. Alban's.—The people of this congregation gave a successful concert and box social on Valentine evening in the town hall, which realized about \$60 clear. This is their first installment towards seating the church. It will require about \$125 to accomplish their object. This the Rev. J. Fairburn hopes to raise during the coming summer.

Billings' Bridge.—Trinity.—The rectory of Trinity Church, Billings' Bridge, had a narrow escape from destruction by fire on Tuesday, February 13th, caused from a burning chimney. Owing to the good work of Canon Low and his neighbours the building was saved.

Cornwall.—Trinity.—The annual meeting of the Young People's Guild of this (Memorial) Church was held on Wednesday evening, Feb-

ruary 14th, in Trinity Hall. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Arthur Daye; vice-president, Miss Gill; secretary, Miss Helen Robertson; treasurer, George A. Stiles. Other members of the Executive Committee—Miss Lois Hall and Brooks Adams. Visiting Committee—Misses Mabel Williams, Lily Graveley and Lois Hall, and Roy Culbertson, Dixon Wagner and Fred Green. Refreshments were then served, and Dixon Wagner gave a reading from Dr. Drummond, after which the enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the Benediction.

TORONTO.

Arthur Sweatman, D.D., Bishop, Toronto.

Toronto.—Wycliffe College.—On Thursday evening, 15th inst., the alumni of this College presented the Right Rev. I. O. Stringer, who has lately been consecrated Bishop of Selkirk, with a gold watch. The presentation was made by the Rev. T. A. Wright, of Brantford, and addresses were given by Canon Cody, Rev. L. E. Skey, Prof. Wrong, Prof. T. B. Smith and the Rev. Dyson Hague. An address was also presented on behalf of the Canadian Church Missionary Society by Dr. Hoyles. There was a pleasant musical programme, and refreshments were served. The proceedings took place in Convocation Hall.

The Bishops of the Church have issued a Pastoral in reference to the Sunday Schools, and it is addressed especially to the clergy, Sunday School officials and teachers. It points out amongst other things the importance of the Sunday Schools as a real auxiliary to the mission work of the Church. The latter part of the letter is addressed especially to the children, and it appeals to them to unite in giving a Lenten offering for the missionary work of the Church. It goes on to mention several interesting facts, viz., that the first Lenten offering presented by the children amounted to less than \$3,000, and that last year's was more than double that, viz., over \$7,000. From the fact that there are 1,500 Sunday Schools and 100,000 scholars, by a really united effort it should be possible to reach ere long the sum of \$20,000 for the mission work of the Church. The children are urged to do all they can in the matter of helping on this good work.

The university sermon in the College Chapel on Sunday morning last was preached by the Rev. Clark Murray, professor of psychology of McGill University, Montreal. The address, which was philosophical as well as spiritual in nature, was chosen from the text, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

St. James'.—The Bishop of the diocese held a Confirmation service in this church on Sunday evening last. There were fifty-three candidates confirmed, viz., twenty-seven men and boys and twenty-six women and girls.

Home for the Aged.—Steps are being taken to raise the sum of \$10,000, which is necessary for the proposed extension to Bellevue House, which has recently been purchased from Dr. Temple, to be used as a Church Home for the Aged in place of the present Home on John Street, which has for some time been quite inadequate. This excellent and much-needed work has been carried on by the Sisters of St. John the Divine for the past eighteen years without much public recognition, and it seems to many that the time for expansion has now come. Bellevue House, the property lately acquired, is admirably situated, and plans of the proposed extension have been drawn, which will include most comfortable quarters for the old men and women. The present house will be used for old ladies who can afford to pay moderately for their board, and who will receive care and loving attention, which could be procured nowhere else. It has been decided to hold a May fete in St. James' schoolhouse for three days in the middle of May, and to interest all Church people in it. An excellent committee was formed as follows: Mrs. T. F. Smith (convener), Mrs. Edward Cayley (secretary), and the following members: Lady Edgar, Lady Pellatt, Mrs. Sweatman, Mrs. Welch, Mrs. W. R. Brock, Mrs. Broughall, Mrs. Nordheimer, Mrs. Cody, Mrs. J. K. Kerr, Mrs. Arthurs, Mrs. H. C. Hammond, Mrs. Albert Gooderham, Mrs. Raynald Gamble, Mrs. Stewart Houston, Mrs. Farncomb, Mrs. Ingles and Mrs. Bigwood.

Duntroon.—The Rev. A. Durnford, of this parish, was riding on his bicycle to Elmvale to attend a Rural Deanery meeting there on Jan-

uary 29th, when the front fork snapped suddenly and he was thrown headlong on the hard ground. He sustained severe bruises on the cheek and over the eye, but was able to continue his journey on foot, walking the eleven miles of the distance that remained. A successful social was held in the Orange Hall, Glen Huron, on February 9th by the congregation that worships there. Service was begun last August by the Rev. A. Durnford, and is held every second Sunday afternoon, alternating with Duntroon service. The attendance is often over 100, the offerings liberal, and much interest shown.

Creemore.—The congregation of Christ Church, Banda, recently testified their appreciation of the services of their organist, Miss Maude Lott, by presenting her with a complimentary address and a handsome travelling case. She has performed her duties most faithfully for over eight years. During her temporary absence on a two months' visit her place is being efficiently taken by Mr. Allan Honsberger.

Elmvale.—The meeting of the Rural Deanery of West Simcoe, which was held here on January 29th and 30th, was a very pleasant and profitable one. Eight out of ten clergymen were able to be present, with Archdeacon Sweeney, of Toronto, as a visitor. The evening service on Monday, the 29th ult., was well attended by the congregation. The Rev. Rural Dean Musson and Rev. A. C. Miles read the prayers, and Rev. W. H. White and Canon Murphy the first and second lessons. An able sermon was preached by the Archdeacon on "The Pre-eminence of Christ" from Col. 1:18. On Tuesday at 8 a.m. there was the customary celebration of Holy Communion, with a devotional address to the clergy by the Rev. H. M. Little, very practical and helpful. At the sessions on Monday afternoon and Tuesday papers were given by Dr. Sweeney on the "Observance of Lent," by the Rev. H. M. Little on "Future Punishment" (reviewing a recent learned book on the subject, and by the Rev. F. E. Farncomb on "Discouragements and Encouragements of a Country Pastor's Work." These topics were all discussed by the brethren after the reading of each paper. The fourth chapter of the First Epistle to Timothy was studied in the original Greek under the leadership of the Rev. W. H. White. Various business matters were dealt with, such as the missionary appointments, the Archdeaconal conference in September, the next Deanery meeting to be held in Penetang on May 23rd and 24th, a Deanery Sunday School convention in Barrie in July, etc. A motion of congratulation and welcome to Archdeacon Sweeney was carried by a standing vote, with thanks for his help at this meeting, and a vote of thanks was given to the Rev. C. and Mrs. Young and the people of Elmvale for hospitality and kindness.

NIAGARA.

John Philip Du Moulin, D.D., Bishop, Hamilton.

Hamilton.—St. John the Evangelist.—The Lord Bishop of the diocese preached in this church on Sunday evening, February 11th, to a large and attentive congregation.

Holy Trinity Mission.—The Rev. H. J. Leake, M.A., rector of St. Philip's, said Matins and preached in this mission church on Sunday morning, February 18th, to a fair-sized and appreciative congregation.

HURON.

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

London.—St. John the Evangelist.—A beautiful window has been placed in this church to the memory of the late Mr. A. B. Cox, of this city. It is the work of the N. T. Lyon Glass Company, of Toronto, and it is most artistic, and reflects great credit upon the above-mentioned firm. The window is double, the subjects being "The Call of Saint John" and "Saint Peter and Saint John at the Tomb." It was erected by the St. John's Bible Class and Athletic Association.

Brantford.—Grace Church.—The Rev. Canon Dann, rector of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, preached in this church on Sunday evening, the 11th inst.

St. Jude's.—The Lord Bishop of the diocese preached twice in this church on Sunday, Feb-

ruary 11th. The occasion of his coming to this church was the seventeenth anniversary of the consecration of the church and the thirty-fifth year of its existence as a separate parish. Under the rectorship of the Rev. Rural Dean Wright the present activity of the parish is most marked and encouraging, and it is accounted as one of the live churches in the diocese. In the evening the Bishop held a Confirmation service, when he "laid hands" on seventeen candidates. Large congregations were present at both the services.

Trinity.—The Bishop of Huron preached in this church on Sunday afternoon at 3.30, when a very large congregation was present. Trinity is the child of St. Jude's, and has been in existence for comparatively few months. During the past year marked improvement has been made in congregation and building alike. The addition of a new schoolroom, vestry and chancel has met a great need, and is much appreciated. The Bishop's three sermons during the day were very able discourses, and marked by much earnestness and plainness. At all services the music was of an exceptional nature, and the surpliced choir proved most efficient. At night in St. Jude's Miss May Wright sang "Abide With Me" during the offertory in a most pathetic and impressive manner. In all cases the Rev. T. A. Wright conducted the services.

Woodstock.—New St. Paul's.—Mrs. Charles Beard, who for the past twenty-seven years has been actively engaged as a Sunday School teacher, was presented on Sunday, the 11th inst., with a handsome gold cross by the scholars and teachers of the New St. Paul's school. The presentation took place at her home on Peel Street, where the superintendent of the school and a few others gathered. Mrs. Beard will be greatly missed by the Sunday School, and her retirement leaves a place that will be very hard to fill.

Walkerville.—The semi-annual meeting of the Rural-decanal Chapter of Essex was held in this church on February 8th, 1906. The Holy Communion was administered by the rector, the Rev. W. H. Battersby, M.A., assisted by the Ven. Archdeacon Hill, M.A. A well-thought-out sermon was preached by the Rev. G. B. Ward, M.A., of Essex, on the rubric, "And all priests and deacons are to say daily the Morning and Evening Prayer, either privately or openly, not being let by sickness or some other urgent cause," etc. On adjournment to the parish house a most hearty vote of welcome was given to the Rev. F. Chadwick, of All Saints', Windsor, the new Rural Dean. Welcome was also extended to the new members of the Chapter, the Rev. J. Edmonds, now of Leamington; the Rev. E. C. Jennings, of Kingsville, and the Rev. W. H. Snelgrove, B.A., of the Church of the Ascension, Windsor; also to two visitors, the Rev. Z. Brigham, the missionary on Walpole Island, who asked for the sympathy and help of the members in his work of collecting funds for the restoration of his church, and the Rev. J. Webb, of St. Philip's, Detroit. Mr. Webb gave an interesting account of the working of the plan of assessments used in the Diocese of Michigan. It was resolved that the Rural Dean be instructed to lay his plan before the Board of Missions for consideration as to whether its adoption would be desirable in the Diocese of Huron. The afternoon was spent most pleasantly in the rector's study as follows: (a) An interesting paper by the Rural Dean on Kirkpatrick's "Divine Library." (b) A very thoughtful exegesis of St. Paul's speech at Athens in Greek by the Rev. W. H. Snelgrove, B.A. (c) A very helpful paper gathered from an experience of thirty-six years in holy orders by the Ven. Archdeacon Hill, M.A., on "The Preacher in His Study." Each of these papers led to spirited and earnest discussion, and, as the clergy find their opportunities for mutual study "too few and far between," the afternoon was enjoyed by all. The Ven. Archdeacon Hill was to induct into their new parishes two of the clergy, the Rev. F. Whealen to Sandwich South, and the Rev. J. McLeod to Colchester; and his visit to the meeting was appreciated by all the members. The Rev. Rural Dean Chadwick is to be congratulated on the success of his first Deanery meeting.

The plan of assessment referred to above is as follows (copied from the Canons of the Diocese of Michigan): "The basis of the assessments for diocesan expenses and of the apportionments for diocesan missions shall be derived from the amount of the current expenses of the several parishes and missions as reported in the last published journal of the Convention. . . . Of

the first thousand dollars, or any part thereof, of current expenses there shall be taken 4 per cent.; of the second thousand, 5 per cent.; of the third thousand, 6 per cent.; of the fourth thousand, 7 per cent.; of the fifth thousand, 8 per cent.; of the sixth thousand, 9 per cent.; of the seventh thousand, 10 per cent.; of the eighth thousand, 11 per cent., and of the whole amount above \$8,000 12 per cent.

Explanatory Note.—Two ideas underlie the plan incorporated in the resolution: First, that the ability, and, therefore, the duty of a parish or mission to contribute toward the expenses and toward the missionary work of the diocese are most truly shown by what it spends for itself; and second, that this ability and duty increases at a higher rate than do the current expenses. For example, a parish spending \$5,000 is able and ought to give more than twice as much as one spending \$2,500. It is for the purpose of giving force to this second idea that the sliding scale of percentages is used in making the system of basis."

Dutton.—Church of the Nativity.—Early last year the incumbent of this parish, the Rev. T. Bart Howard, B.A., suggested to the Ladies' Guild that they make an effort to lift the mortgage debt of the church during the year. Plans were presented by which this might be done, and the ladies entered upon the task, though sceptical of their ability to accomplish it. On December 15th the mortgage was paid, thus ending a series of faithful and persistent efforts to free the pretty little church of its heavy load. The Guild have been most faithful and generous in their self-imposed task, and are deeply thankful that it is now accomplished. Now that this is done they will devote their energies to Mission work and to contributing something to keep fragrant the memory of the saintly figure, now removed, Bishop Baldwin.

St. Thomas. Trinity.—All the clergy of the Rural Deanery were present in the rectory on February 7th. The Rev. Rural Dean Farney occupied the chair, and presented the business for the consideration of the Chapter. Canon Downie, B.D., presented the report of the Committee on the Organization of the Choral Union. He said that they had met with a splendid response to their efforts, and as a result there was at present in the city a representation from almost all the choirs in the Deanery, and that they would be able to sing the service with almost 100 voices under the direction of Mr. J. H. Jones, the efficient organist of Trinity. The Rural Dean said that he had invited the Rural Deans of Kent and Essex to bring before their Chapters the consideration of the advisability of forming some union of the Chapters of the Archdeaconry of Elgin for purposes of conference. In the discussion that followed it was fully pointed out that the Church workers and clergy of the Church should meet for conference oftener than at present; departments of Church work need to be discussed in order that wise methods may be adopted and enthusiasm aroused. The matter of the organization of the Archdeaconry was left over for further consideration upon receipt of the view of it taken by the other Chapters concerned. The Chapter passed a resolution to be forwarded to the corresponding secretary of the Diocesan Board of Missions, asking them to consider the advisability of arranging as far as possible with deputations to remain over and canvass parishes personally with the incumbent at his request. All the clergy stated their willingness to assist the movement for "the Bishop Baldwin Memorial," but the time was too limited to enter fully into methods. The next meeting of the Chapter will be held in Aylmer on the afternoon preceding the annual Sunday School Convention.

A service of praise was held in this church on Wednesday evening, February 7th, which was taken part in by representatives of all the choirs in the Rural Deanery of Elgin, 100 choristers being present. The service was a unique event in Church circles in the city, and, indeed, in the whole Dominion, and it was very largely attended and very greatly appreciated by those who were present. It was the first of its kind which had ever taken place in Canada. Those clergy who took part in the service were the Ven. Archbishop Hill, the Rev. Rural Dean Farney, of Aylmer; the Rev. Canon Downie, of Port Stanley, and the Revs. W. Hinde, W. A. Graham, of Port Burwell and St. John's, St. Thomas, respectively; B. Howard, of Dutton, and G. Elliott, of Tyrone. The Lord Bishop of the diocese was also present. The Lessons were read by the Revs. W. A. Graham and W. Hinde, respectively, and the sermon was preached

by the Rev. Canon Downie, of Port Stanley. He founded a short but very appropriate discourse on the words, "Sing for the honour of His name; make His praise glorious," Psalm 66:2. The service was a great success in every way, and its promoters are to be cordially congratulated on the complete fulfilment of their endeavours.

Port Stanley.—Christ Church.—This parish is taking on life since the coming of Canon Downie, B.D. They are discussing removal of the church to a more convenient site. The choir will be surprised for the first time on Easter day. Mr. Ellison is working energetically and with enthusiasm in the training of the boys.

RUPERT'S LAND.

Samuel P. Matheson, D.D., Archbishop, Winnipeg.

Winnipeg.—St. John's College.—It is announced that the St. John's College Fund is now nearing the \$50,000 mark, a sum approaching that amount having been subscribed by friends of the college in the West. The total sum required is \$100,000, and before building operations are begun \$50,000 in cash will be needed. In addition to the \$100,000 required for buildings it is desired to add \$50,000 to the Endowment Fund, the interest on the \$50,000 to be used in providing for the support of the warden of the college. Although the sum required is large, the authorities are persuaded that the entire amount will be readily secured eventually.

Winnipeg.—St. Matthew's.—The usual weekly meeting of the young people of this church was held in the schoolroom on Monday evening, February 12th, and the time was entirely devoted to discussion of business. The most important work accomplished was the election of officers for the ensuing six months, and those elected are: Mr. Chas. Buttrum, president; Mr. Frank Roberts, vice-president; Mr. R. Wilcock, second vice-president; Mr. E. C. Siddall, secretary; Mr. F. Mitchell, treasurer; and for the Recreation and Literary Committees: Miss A. Mitchell, Miss G. Henry, Miss S. Gaynon, Miss G. Golby, Miss E. Moore, Miss M. Roberts, Miss A. Eilbeck, and Mr. A. Darby. During the evening it was urged by more than one speaker that more debating should take place in order to bring out the promising orators, which it is believed that the society has in its midst.

Dominion City.—All Saints'.—Through the efforts of the Woman's Auxiliary, coupled with the generous aid of members of the congregation and friends, a beautiful font of Vermont blue marble was placed in this church on the 3rd inst.

Wedding bells will ring shortly for three of the young clergy of the diocese.

An ordination will be held at St. John's Cathedral, Winnipeg, this year in April.

The cathedral parish is issuing a parish leaflet. It made its bow to the public recently.

Christ Church, Winnipeg, has a hockey club in connection with its other social institutions.

A new church at Edrans, Man., is to be commenced in the spring. A local branch of the W.A. was organized there recently.

The Rev. A. L. Murray, M.A., formerly of Morris, has been appointed rector of St. Saviour's Church, Waterloo, Ont. He began his work there a few Sundays ago.

The congregation of St. Luke's, Souris, have rented the Deyell residence for their rector, the Rev. N. Hewitt, who has moved into it. Alterations and extensions will be made to the rectory in the meantime.

The Rev. H. J. King, rector of St. Andrew's, near Selkirk, has resigned, and will leave the diocese about Easter for a new field of work in the Okanagan valley, B.C. Mr. King is compelled to make this change owing to the ill-health of Mrs. King.

An attempt was made recently to disturb St. Mendelssohn's Hebrew Mission meetings in Winnipeg. A Russian, one Lapiski, was fined \$5 and costs for the offence. This Mission to the Jews was lately opened by His Grace the Archbishop, and is doing good work.

One of Dr. Albert Ham's musical compositions is dedicated to the Rev. A. U. DePencier, M.A., rector of Brandon. It is the Benedicite in F, and is published by Messrs. Whaley, Royce & Co. Dr. Ham is the talented organist of St. James' Church, Toronto, where Mr. DePencier was first curate previous to his coming to Brandon. He is a great friend of the energetic rector of the Wheat City.

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Mr. O. W. Jolliffe, of Virden, was presented with a fine token of respect and appreciation by the Church people on his departure for Winnipeg, where he enters the provincial service. Mr. Jolliffe was an active worker in the Church; and was for many years choir-master.

The Very Rev. Dean Coombes conducted the anniversary services of the Snowflake Church on February 11th. The day's services were choral. In the morning there was a celebration of Holy Communion, and in the evening the Dean preached on Missions. The offertory during the day was devoted to the M.S.C.C. The ever-pushing and aggressive missionary, the Rev. L. Swallow, is making due preparations for the erection of a handsome country rectory when the winter breaks.

His Grace Archbishop Matheson has received an invitation from the secretary of the S.P.G., London, Eng., to go to the Old Country this spring in the interests of Church and educational work throughout North-West Canada. The Diocesan Executive at its last meeting urged His Grace by resolution to accede to the request, and he has consented. In view of his departure for England in June the annual Diocesan Synod will not be held until July, it is likely.

The time for Easter meetings is fast approaching, and the yearly accounts of the parishes will be presented. It is a most inconvenient time to hold a parishioners' meeting. Roads are bad and almost impassable as a rule, and country folks are busy in preparing for their season's work. It is all right for town, city and village parishes, but in rural districts Easter is a bad time for the presentation of annual accounts and the elections. Scarcely a representative meeting is ever held. All this could be overcome if the financial year ended with the civil year; and the coming Synod could do no better work than to change the time of the Easter meeting. There was a motion on the paper at the last Synod, but what became of it hardly any one knows, and few seem to care. It is a small thing, yet in these small things lies the successful working of the Church, and the Synod ought to understand that this little matter is a fly in the ointment, much to the distaste of clergy and laity in rural districts.

Considerable business was transacted at the last Executive meeting. Two thousand dollars was voted for the carrying on of the summer work in the vacant mission fields of the diocese with the help of students. The grant toward the support of the incumbent at Springfield was increased. The salary of the diocesan accountant, Mr. George Grisdale, was raised. Permission was given for the sale of a lot forming part of the church property at Oakville. Consent was granted for a mortgage being placed on the rectory of Morden; also consent given for the negotiation of a loan on St. Mark's Church, Minnedosa. The committee voted a sum to be available for the payment of ministers' travelling expenses in the diocese when taking Sunday work. The work among the Jews of Winnipeg was discussed. Reports of the Rev. C. N. F. Jeffrey and W. P. Sweatman, treasurer of the diocese, were read and accepted. Mr. Sweatman gave an encouraging report, showing the present finances to be in good condition. The need for more men to supply the vacant parishes was reiterated. At present there was the prospect of eight or nine ordinands in the spring, but as many more could be employed. The situation was somewhat relieved by the employment of a large number of lay-readers.

Minnedosa.—St. Mark's.—The clergy of this Rural Deanery met in the parish room on the afternoon of January 22, 1906, at three o'clock, with the Rev. Rural Dean Gill, rector of Minnedosa, presiding. In a short opening address the Rural Dean sketched the programme laid out for the several sessions of the meeting. The subjects all had a very practical bearing on the work of the diocese, and were very thoroughly discussed. At the close of the discussion on each subject a resolution was drafted to incorporate the views of the members of the Deanery with a view to their being laid before the various

Deaneries in the diocese previous to the next Diocesan Synod, when they will be brought forward with a view to practical results in the work of the Church. The first session was devoted to a discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of making the financial year of the Synod close with the calendar year. Although this would practically involve a change in the time for holding the Diocesan Synod, it would have very many advantages, especially in the country missions. The second session was given to a discussion of the work and expenses of the Synod office, a matter which was referred to the Executive Committee at the last session of Synod. There was a general agreement that the diocesan general missionary should be released from all office secretarial duties and left entirely free for work in the mission field. The third session was devoted to the general consideration of the subject of theological colleges with a view to the work in the future of the St. John's College, not only as a diocesan but as a provincial institution. Very excellent papers were read by Mr. Parker, incumbent of Shoal Lake, a graduate of Montreal Theological College; by Mr. Good-ey, rector of Neepawa, of Wycliffe College, Toronto, and by Mr. E. C. Pritchard, rector of Birtle, of St. John's College, Winnipeg. A very full discussion followed the reading of the papers. Dr. N. Tucker was present at this session, and expressed himself as much pleased with the earnest and practical character of the subjects dealt with. On the evening of January 23rd a public missionary meeting was held in the church, when, in spite of the very severe weather, a good congregation were more than rewarded by a very forcible sermon on the work and aims of the C.C.M.S. At the close of the service a reception was held in the parish room, when the visiting clergy and the congregation were entertained by the members of the W.A., and when many had the opportunity of becoming known to Dr. Tucker personally. On the morning of the 24th there was a celebration of the Holy Communion before the morning session of the Rural Deanery. At the close of the service Dr. Tucker had a conference with the clergy of the most interesting and helpful character. This brought to a close what all present felt to be a most profitable, as well as enjoyable, gathering, which, it is hoped, will result in the strengthening of the Church's work, not only in this Rural Deanery, but also in the diocese at large. The congregation were most kind and hospitable in entertaining the visiting clergy.

SASKATCHEWAN.

Jervois A. Newnham, D.D., Bishop.

Prince Albert.—Mr. H. Assister has arrived at Lashburn to act as lay reader for the district all around this station, accompanied by Mrs. Assister. Mr. Assister has had large experience in similar work in England, and is highly recommended by Canon Renaud and others in Montreal. He takes possession of the "shack" built by Rev. D. T. Davies, and humourously nicknamed "Lambeth Palace," so will not have room for much furniture or crockery, but plenty of room for patience and contentment with little. On Sunday, 4th February, the Bishop dedicated for public worship the Memorial Church to Bishop McLean, St. Alban's, Prince Albert. Unfortunately the Bishop could not be assisted by any of the clergy, the diocese being so undermanned, but the services that day were impressive, the congregations large, and the offertory more than double, though there was no special appeal. The dedication service was followed by a sermon and the Holy Communion, and the Bishop again preached in the evening to a still larger congregation. The church is roomy, well ventilated and warmed, and the congregation is greatly pleased with it, but are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the new seats, prayer-desk, etc. The Executive Committee, Committee for Revision and Reprinting of Canons, Board of Missions, and Indian Mission Board met on the 7th and 8th at Bishopsthorpe, the whole of the two days being occupied with sessions. A great deal of work was done. The apportionment for M.S.C.C. for 1906 was passed, as was the list of grants in aid of the stipends of the various clergy, and grants for opening fresh missions. The present state of the treasury is not a very encouraging one, but it was felt that the work must be carried on if the necessary workers can be obtained, and this will be done in faith that the necessary funds will be found somewhere. The report to the board as to the new missions lately opened and churches built was a very encouraging one. There are now twenty-seven clergy and eight lay readers at work, not counting the lay readers in Indian Missions, who are very numerous. Many new churches have been built. The appointment of Archdeacon Lloyd as

organizing missionary has been abundantly justified, both by the organization of several new missions and by the advance of some older missions in the support of the Church; but it is only in this way and by the utmost economy that the work mapped out for 1906 can be attempted without largely overdrawing the bank account. As it is said in the East sometimes that our clergy are very well paid, it is right that you should know that \$600 is the stipend offered to deacons, \$700 to priests, and that only one or two at most reach \$800, and that generally without a house, and having to keep a horse, or even two.

CALGARY.

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

Calgary.—The Bishop spent Sunday, February 4th, at Okotoks. At 10.30 a.m. he baptized one adult and two infants. At 11 a.m. the solemn rite of Confirmation was administered to eight candidates, one of them being the lady who had previously been baptized. Confirmation was followed by a celebration of the Holy Communion, at which there were between twenty-five and thirty communicants. The Bishop attended the Sunday School in the afternoon, and at the request of the teacher and superintendent he took the Bible Class. The Sunday School was started on the last Sunday in December. The attendance on Sunday, inclusive of the incumbent and teachers, was forty. In the evening the Bishop read the Lessons, inducted the Rev. W. G. James, B.A., to the incumbency of the parish, and preached. There was an excellent congregation. Okotoks, like most towns in Alberta, is growing rapidly. The parish of St. Peter has not been in existence for a year, yet the Bishop was able to say that no parish had ever given him greater satisfaction. It will be remembered that the present church was opened on the last Sunday in October. There is now a debt of \$240. It is expected that this sum will be made up before Easter, and arrangements are being made to build the church, and also a tower, this summer. Mr. James is now responsible for a fortnightly service in the township of Gladys, which till recently was worked by the Rev. G. Howcroft, of High River, and for a monthly service at Dinton. Gladys is twelve miles east and Dinton twenty-five miles east of Okotoks. Sites for churches have been secured in both townships, and it is likely that a church will be built at Dinton this year.

Correspondence.

SASKATCHEWAN AND M.S.C.C.

Sir,—I thank the Ottawa Priest for making it necessary for me to say a word for poor Saskatchewan in answer to his attack, for otherwise I am too busy working to be able to publish long accounts of what I and my equally busy co-workers are doing, or trying to do. But my gratitude for this opportunity does not quite obliterate my feeling of indignation at his uncalled-for threat of withholding the sinews of war, and at his impeachment of the Church in my diocese for the ecclesiastical sufferings of Ottawa Priest's parishioner. It is a pity that Ottawa Priest did not pause to think, or take the trouble to learn, before he confounded Saskatchewan Province with Saskatchewan Diocese. First, then Saskatchewan, as he uses the term, includes, besides this diocese, most, or all, of Qu'Appelle and a little of Calgary. Second, Ottawa Priest's description of the villages on a railway where his parishioners lived, does not apply to any part of Saskatchewan diocese. "Villages of one or two hundred people on a railway where there were many Church people, and where for five years there were no ministrations of the Church," do not exist in this diocese. The only railway in this diocese till a few months ago was the Regina and Prince Albert Railway. At the towns along this railway (there are no villages) we have had churches for three or four years, and services before that. This disposes of Ottawa Priest's charges against Saskatchewan Diocese. Either his parishioner's idea of a village, and "on the railway," and of "one hundred to two hundred Church people" is very different from that of most people, or he must search elsewhere for the locality. Of course, it is quite possible in this diocese, or in any new country, to live in a Presbyterian or Methodist community, where our Church cannot provide minister or service. That is what we are telling you all the time, that these two great Churches are more alive at headquarters to the importance of providing funds for occupying

new fields than our Church is. Third. As to the money sent to us by M.S.C.C. and what we are doing with it, I gladly answer in as few words as possible. (a) The sum sent to Saskatchewan in the three years is \$9,850, or \$1,378 short of what he says; \$11,230 was promised and earned, \$9,850 was sent. (b) The most of this was required and granted, not for the much-needed opening of new Missions, but for the maintenance of existing work. It was to take the place of money that we hitherto received in answer to constant appeals to Eastern Canada, etc., appeals which we were forbidden henceforth to make, and to make up for the yearly decrease in C.M.S. grants to Indian Missions. We asked for more, that we might extend our work and try to cope with the incoming tide of settlers; but the M.S.C.C. was obliged to refuse it, because Ottawa Priest and others like him would not follow the example of the Methodists and Presbyterians and provide the funds. (c) The information asked for must be given briefly by me, but I doubt not you will have it amplified by some of my clergy, who are indignant with Ottawa Priest. In July, 1904, when I came here, there were twenty clergy and five lay readers, of whom two were ready for ordination. Now there are twenty-seven clergy and eight lay readers, and we had seven students for the summer. This means the opening up of some seventeen new Missions, all of them of huge extent, inside of two years, and without increase of the small grant. In the last three years I think we have built fourteen churches or church halls for worship. I was very sorry that our figures were unavoidably late for the General Synod returns, but we have a trick of putting work in the field before work in the office. Apologizing for having to blow our trumpet at such length, I remain, yours faithfully,

J. A. SASKATCHEWAN.
Prince Albert, Feb. 9th.

DR. DYKES' MUSIC.

Sir,—I can assure Mr. Beaven that I yield to no one in my admiration for Dr. Dykes' music. It is devotional, Churchly, musicianly, and to me most fascinating. Indeed, a tune like that set to "Lead, kindly light" is altogether too beautiful, too tender and delicate to be entrusted to the too ruthless treatment of country choirs and congregations without great hesitation, even after most careful practice. But some of his tunes, though beloved by the few, are not appreciated by the many. A sentence in Mr. Beaven's letter seems to assent to the truth of my assertion that his tune to Hymn 204 is "not generally attractive." Also his tune to "Art thou weary?" though vastly superior to Sir Henry Baker's melody, harmonized by Dr. Monk, is very rarely used. And yet again, his tune to "Hark, hark, my soul," though one of the most beautiful to be found anywhere, I have never heard outside my own churches. His tune also to "Sun of my soul," though it makes a very fine recessional tune, is very seldom heard. It is certainly not always the best that is the most "generally attractive." Also his tune to "Art thou weary?" Elvey's tune to "Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer," is not generally used. Nothing can be better. "For thee, O dear, dear country," during the past thirty years and more has in my various parishes been sung to my own music. I see some tunes from the American Hymnal recommended for the Canadian, but I do not notice any approval of Miss Faustina Hodge's charming tune to "Asleep in Jesus," nor yet Dr. Gower's fine tune to "O God unseen." Dr. Cutler's tune to "The Son of God" I would like to see in the Canadian Hymnal, too, if the unpleasant "false relation" in the fifth line were corrected by the removal of the "natural" from the tenor B. Allow me also to say that I thoroughly agree with the sentiments of "Enquirer" as expressed in his letter.

WILLIAM ROBERTS.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD.

Sir,—Permit me to add a few words to what "Churchman" has said in your issue of 25th on prayers for the dead. Such prayers were in the first Prayer Book of Edward VI., but they were omitted from the second Prayer Book of that reign, which proves what our Church really holds on the subject more than does the perhaps accidental omission of their express condemnation in the printed version of Article 22. It is impossible to make prayers for the dead consistent, except on the hypotheses of the purgatory of the Roman Catholic Church, and I have heard

at least one of our Canadian clergy, who was preaching "Paradise," or the halting place between this life and the resurrection of the just, describe it as a place where the souls of the saved will undergo a necessary purification from the taints and stains of earth. Surely this, under another name is the purgatory of the Roman Church divested of its physical fires and equally derogatory to the finished work of the Christ, and our belief that it can "save to the uttermost." Mr. Hartley thinks we ought to believe in prayers for the dead because the other branches of the Catholic Church do; by the other branches, he, of course, means the Church of Rome and the Greek Church, and yet he assigns every faithful member of the Greek Church to eternal perdition every time he recites the Athanasian Creed. The state and condition and place of the spirits of the dead before the judgment have not been revealed to us in holy writ and are in the very nature of things inconceivable to the finite mind of mortals. Beyond the veil cycles and lapses of time cannot be measured by the rising and setting of suns, the waxing and waning of moons. To the Infinite One a thousand years are as one day and one day as a thousand years. What to mortals may be thousands of years may be to the spirits of the departed in the unfathomable beyond, but as the "twinkling of an eye." It is no more easy to conceive of eternity than it is to conceive of nothingness, but no one pretends to say that there is a period in which the soul is extinct or dormant. We simply cannot tell. All we can try to conceive is that there is no lapse of time in eternity. To be with Christ was St. Paul's ideal of the transition from life to death, and the attempt to crystallize this doctrine of Paradise as an intermediate state in our Prayer Book by the proposed "Appendix to the Book of Common Prayer" (see page 28 of the report) was the most objectionable feature of the committee's report. The discussion of these speculative questions in the pulpit and the press is doing great injury to the Church and building up her dissenting rivals, whose preachers carefully avoid them as unprofitable and idle. Oh! if all our clergy would only confine themselves to that inexhaustible theme, the simple Gospel of salvation, instead of teasing hungry souls by such subjects as prayers for the dead, the intermediate state, the meaning of baptismal regeneration and the "real" Presence how much better a tale the census would tell about our Church, and how much better results would be to their credit on the great day of account.

CHURCHMAN NO. 2.

PROPOSED NEW HYMN BOOK.

Sir,—Allow me heartily to endorse the views expressed by the author of "Church Thoughts by a Layman." When I came from England to Canada I was disagreeably surprised to find not only the Exhortation shortened by one half, but also a different Hymn Book used to the one I had been using so often, i. e., "Hymns A. and M." The latter are used in most churches I have visited in England, and even where they are not used their number is often given out, besides that of the Hymn Book in use. In the British army and navy Hymns A. and M. are also used. Would it not be feasible to recommend to new congregations and to those about to change their Hymn Books this collection or any other one decided upon? Then perhaps a "Canadian supplement" to it might be published. Thus we might by degrees arrive at greater uniformity.

R. B.

THE NEW HYMNAL.

Sir,—In response to the request for suggestions, I agree with Dean Paget and other correspondents that it would be a fatal mistake to omit plain-song tunes, as the effort should be to suit all tastes as to make the use of other books unnecessary. We should not forget that our object is not only to catch the masses, but also to cultivate and improve their taste afterward. Catching, rag-time music, may do for a revival mission, but it is not what is chiefly wanted for the worship of the Church. The music St. John heard prompted the "four and twenty elders," the Patriarchs and Apostles as man's representatives, to "fall down before Him Who sat on the throne and to cast their crowns before the throne" in solemn reverential worship. And we should never lose sight of the fact that this humble reverence should be one of the great, yea, the greatest object of our worship. Reference is made in one of your letters

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to the hymn beginning, "Of the Father's love begotten." There is a grand tune for it in the edition for 1877 of the "Hymnal Companion," called Nymphas, by F. R. Havergal, the first two lines in unison, the rest in harmony. I quite agree that the other tunes are not satisfactory in either A. & M. or H. C. But this hymn reminds me of a point that I fear is being overlooked. You are preparing a book for the Church of a country where the thermometer ranges from 90 in the shade to 60 below zero, and a long hymn is not always sung to edification under these possible conditions. And a custom is very prevalent in some of our choirs of omitting one or more verses. But, alas, our choirmasters are not always theologians, and sad havoc is sometimes made in the teaching of a hymn by leaving out important verses. Hymns A. and M. in its very longest hymns has met this difficulty by marking with an asterisk the verses that may be omitted. I would suggest that a much larger use should be made of this plan, and that all but the shortest hymns should be so marked. Let me illustrate this by reference to the hymn above mentioned. The great lessons of that hymn are the eternity of Christ, the fulfilment of prophecy, the virgin birth, and Christ's universal worship. With the verses teaching these the hymn is complete. The other verses, beautiful and suitable as they are where they may be used, are not necessary to the setting forth of these great truths. Whereas to omit any of these verses would greatly impair the value of the hymn. I agree with some of your correspondents that the proposed name is not wholly satisfactory, and think that "Canadian Church Hymnal" would be much better. The apparent ignoring of other bodies of Christians, which may be objected, could be overcome by a longer sub-title, for instance, "For use of members of the Church of England and Ireland in Canada." Hoping that these few remarks may be of use to the committee I subscribe myself,

J. M. B.

RE BIBLE LESSONS IN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Sir,—My attention has just been called to the introduction of the lesson for the second Sunday after the Epiphany, which says: "Soon after the presentation in the temple there came wise men from the East with offerings to the new-born King. That Mary offered the offering of the poor shows that she could not then have had the gifts of the magi." This introduction is altogether contrary to the account given in St. Luke 2: The wise men, according to the sign given to them by the angel, found the babe lying in a manger. They then presented their gifts and departed, verse 16. Now, it is altogether unreasonable to suppose that Joseph and Mary went up to Jerusalem and offered a sacrifice and then returned to the stable in Bethlehem when their home was in the opposite direction, and when they could have obtained better accommodation in the city of Jerusalem. I know that St. Matthew says "house," but are we going to give this vague term preference when we have such a clear account from St. Luke? What I do believe from the accounts of the two Gospels is that after the Magi's visit an angel appeared to Joseph and told him to take the mother and young child and flee into Egypt, that he immediately obeyed the command; he arose, took the child and his mother, proceeded to Jerusalem first as a strict Jew, offered the necessary sacrifice, and then went down to Egypt. What I do object to is the placing in the hands of the ordinary teacher in our Sunday Schools statements such as I find in this introduction, which are based on the flimsiest evidence.

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The voters at St. Columb Minor, near Newquay, Cornwall, included the veteran parish clerk, Mr. James Carne, now in his hundredth year.

At Braybrook Church in Kent there may be seen a monster trumpet, nearly two yards long, which was used instead of bells a century ago to summon the people to church.

A brilliant writer has said that our chief need in life is "someone to make us do what we can." What sovereign power can be more tender or stronger than the love of Christ? Bishop Westcott.

The Bishop of St. Albans has raised a preliminary sum of £11,000 towards the fund for the formation of a Bishopric for Essex. Chelmsford, Colchester, and Ilford are all mentioned as likely sites for the cathedral.

The Council of the Senate of Cambridge University have elected Dr. Henry Jackson, Fellow Trinity College, to the Regius Professorship of Greek, vacant by the death of Sir Richard Jebb. There were five candidates.

A sum of over £15,000 has been gathered for Home Missions during 1905 by the members of the Women's Home Mission Association. The money has been handed to the Additional Curates' Society for distribution.

A scheme for providing a small steam launch to serve as a floating vicarage for the clergy in charge of the numerous settlements scattered over the northern Wairoa (north of Auckland), New Zealand, is being pressed forward.

There are probably in all England only two parish day-schools which, declining all rate-aid or State aid, preserve their freedom unfettered to teach the Church's faith. They are the schools at St. Peter's, London Docks, and St. Jude's, Birmingham.

Mr. T. Westlake-Morgan, organist of Bangor Cathedral, has been the recipient of a very beautiful illuminated address, signed by the senior residentiary canon (Archdeacon Williams), the two minor canons, six lay clerks, twelve choristers, vergers, and officials of Bangor Cathedral.

The influx of Jews from Russia into other countries, consequent on the recent atrocities, has added much to the labours of mission agents in various stations, such as Hamburg, Paris, Rotterdam, Hull, Liverpool, etc. Splendid opportunities have been thus given for the circulation by sale and gift of copies of the Scriptures.

Mr. F. W. Pomeroy, A.R.A., who has been commissioned to execute a statue of the late Bishop of Southwell (Dr. Ridding), as a memorial of his work in the diocese, has prepared a model, showing the late Bishop in the attitude of prayer. This design has been unanimously approved by the Memorial Committee.

Two memorials of the late Mrs. Wilkinson, of Skyrne Castle, have been placed in Skyrne Parish Church, Ireland, viz., beautifully worked book markers, the work and gift of Miss Fox-Goodman, and a massive book-desk for the Holy Table, presented by Mrs. J. Y. Fishbourne, Melbourne, and Rev. Canon E. Radcliffe, Ballarat, Australia.

The Church in South Africa is doing its best to make good Christians and Churchmen of the members of the Ethiopian Order, who a couple of years ago were formally admitted to the Church. After nine months careful instruction by the Chaplain of 200 candidates, he felt justified in presenting 122 to the Bishop of Gra-

hamstown for Confirmation at Zalaze last November.

A social gathering in connection with All Saints' Men's and Women's Bible Classes, Sheffield, was held lately under the presidency of the Vicar, the Rev. C. F. Knight. The Rev. J. R. L. Nicholls stated that the numbers in the classes were now 2,300 men and 1,900 women and that during the last four months, since he had charge of them, 175 had joined the men's class and 185 the women's.

By the death recently of the Rev. J. F. Coleridge, for fifty-one years Vicar of Cadbury, Devon, the last of an interesting trio of long-lived Devon clergymen, has passed away. Early in the fifties, the livings of Bickleigh, Cadeleigh, and Cadbury were presented to the Rev. R. B. Carew, the Rev. P. F. Britton, and the Rev. F. J. Coleridge, each of whom carried on his duties for more than fifty years.

Killoe Church in Ireland has recently been thoroughly renovated, the interior walls painted, and the chancel newly furnished. The fittings for the latter, which include a pitch-pine panelling, new oak rail with iron standards, prayer desk and carpet, are the gift of a parishioner. New brackets for all the seats were given by another. The roof has been put into thorough repair, and the appearance of the interior is now bright and pleasing.

The Bishop of London was the preacher at Westminster Abbey on a recent Sunday morning. The Abbey being a "peculiar," or "extra-diocesan" establishment, is outside the control of the diocesan, and "lest we forget the fact" his presence was, as is customary on such occasions, marked by a protest on the part of the Dean and Chapter of Westminster. The protest was purely formal, and it is the subject of friendly arrangement between the Bishop and the Chapter on each visit.

Bishop Thornton, vicar of Blackburn, has appointed the Rev. C. F. Askew, curate of St. Mary's, Laisterdyke, Bradford, to succeed the Rev. F. L. C. Parkyn, as senior curate of Blackburn Parish Church, and to take charge of the famous adult Bible classes connected with that Church. These classes were founded several years ago by Mr. Parkyn, who has been preferred to the Vicarage of Clayton-le-Moors, and comprise 800 enrolled male members and 780 women.

The eloquent and venerable Primate, Dr. Alexander, is, and deservedly so, an object of love and affection throughout the whole Church of Ireland. Next year his Grace will have completed 60 years of uninterrupted and faithful service in the Church of his fathers, and his tones are still as silvery, his eloquence is just as great, as ever. His sermon on a recent Sunday in aid of the Belfast Cathedral building fund was one of sustained eloquence, and was eagerly listened to by a crowded congregation.

His Majesty has been graciously pleased to appoint the Rev. H. Liske Paget, M.A., vicar of St. Pancras and Prebendary of St. Paul's, to be Bishop Suffragan of Ipswich in the Diocese of Norwich. Prebendary Paget is well-known in the East-end of London, where he worked for some time in connection with the Oxford Mission, and for twenty years he has been the hard-working vicar of St. Pancras. For some time past he has acted as chaplain to his brother, the Bishop of Oxford. Prebendary Paget takes the place of Dr. Fisher, who has resigned the post of Bishop Suffragan on account of ill health.

An event which has created regret in society circles has been the destruction by fire of the historic old place of worship, Christ Church, down Piccadilly Street, London, where many fashionable marriages

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have been solemnized. The late Duke of Cambridge and the late Sir Harry Keppel were regular attendants at the church, which witnessed in 1878 the marriage of Lord Rosebery to the eldest daughter and heiress of Baron Mayer de Rothschild. In 1881 the Baroness Burdett-Coutts was married in the church to William Ashmead Bartlett, now known as Burdett-Coutts. The Duke of Devonshire was married there in 1892. Worshipers and pew owners at the church included the Duke of Westminster, Lord Londonderry, Lord and Lady Ivéagh, Lord Wimborne, Lord Dartmouth, Sir Charles M. Palmer, Sir Charles Morrison Bell and the Baroness Burdett-Coutts.

Children's Department.

HEADS UP!

- Don't kick and whine,
Just get in line
With the fellows who've grit and pluck;
- Don't frown and scowl,
Look glum and growl,
Stop prating about ill-luck.
- Lift up your head,
Don't seem half dead,
Stop wearing a wrinkled face;
Give smiling hope
Sufficient scope,
And joys will come apace.
- Out on the man
Whose little span
Is full of grief and gloom!
Always dreary,
Never cheery,
From trundle bed to tomb.
- Give me the chap
Who, whatever may hap,
Looks up and is cheerful still;
Who meets a brunt
With a smiling front,
And nerve, and vim, and will.

—When Miss Nightingale was a child, she had many dolls, and her great hobby was to affect to believe that they each in turn caught a serious illness, and needed the most careful nursing. There was one rag baby that had fever so badly that her life was despaired of; and little Florence would only go to her own bed one night on the positive assurance of her nurses and her mother that they would watch beside the sick doll. And watch they had to, with a vengeance. For if any of the nurses tried to go away, thinking Florence was asleep, the little lady was alert

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And funny little hands,
How funny he tries
To give his wee commands.

A funny little sigh,
A funny little head,
That funny little body
To miss the time for bed,
A funny little peep
From funny eyes that gleam,
A funny little sleep
A funny little dream.

—Eugene Field.

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"It's fur my mother," he continued, "an' it's a surprise. Do you think you ken git it done fur me by the time I take my papers down to the office and git back?"

"Oh, yes," said the girl; "only don't hurry too much. What is your name?"

"Jem," answered the boy; "an' I won't. An' there's the twenty cents. I'd wait fur it a couple o' hours, if I had to."

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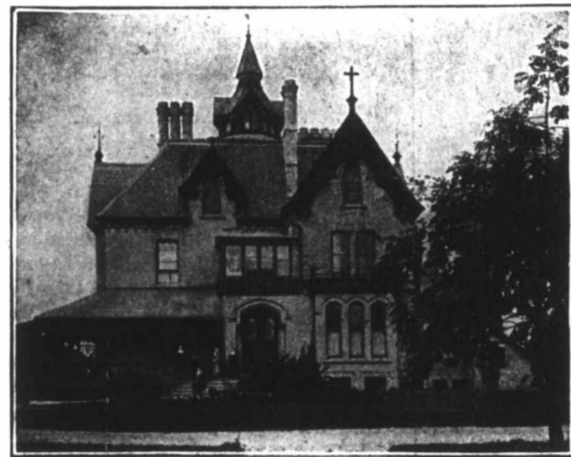
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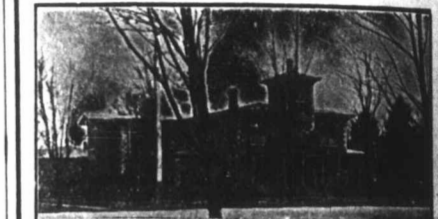
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