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# OTIAWA <br>  

Oalomdar for Fobruary, 1891.
February 1st, Sunday-Sexagesima.
" 2nd, Monday-The lresentation of Christ in the Temple, commonly called The Purification of Saint Mary the Vitgin.
" 8th, Sunday-Quinquagesima.
" IIth, Ash Wednesday-Commination Service. rsth, Ist Sunday in Lent.
18th, Wednesday - Ember Day.
20th, Friday-Ember Day.
" 22nd, 2nd Sunday in Lent.
" 24th, Tuesday-St. Matthias, Apostle and Martyr.
1st Monday-Sunday School Teachers' Association, 8 p.m. 2nd Monday-Ottawa City Clerical Guild, 8 p.m.
$4^{\text {th }}$ Thursday -Girls Friendly Society, 8 p.m.
Last Tuesday-Woman's Auxiliary Missionary Society, 3 p.m.

## Cloxical Vinitationc.

Protestant Hospital.-The Clergy visit in turn each week.

Normal School-Tne Religiuus Instruction Class every Friday during the session, Rev. H. Pollard.

Gaol.-Rev. J. J. Bugert.
Home fok Friendiess Women-Rev. W. J. Muckleston.

Protestant Orphans' Home-Rev. J. M. Snowdon. Home for the Aged-Rev. T. Bailev.

## Sorvioes Durines Iomet.

Christ Church.-As at other times, except that on Wednesdays, Evensong will be at 8 o'clock with a sermon.

St. Alban's.-As at other times, except on Sundays, Litany at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ; on Weekdays, Matins at 7.30 a.m. instead of 9.30 , and on Fridays Litany and Meditation at noon.

St. John's.-Wednesdays and Fridays at 11 a.m. ; Daily at 5 p.m.; Special Lenten Service and Sermon on Fridays at 7.30 p.m.
Sr. Luke's.-Wednesdays 7 p.m. ; Fridays, 10.30 a.m. and $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., with Address.
Grace Church.-Daily at 5 p.m., except Wednestays and Fridays at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

St. James', Hull.-Daily at 4.15 p.m., except Wednesdays and Fridays at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
St. Georgr's.-Daily at 5 p.m., except Fridays at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$

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## CHRIST CHURCH.

The anuual Sunday School Festival was held on Thursday, January 8th. The amount of good things sent in by the members of the Congregation was very bountiful and the kind donors are hereby thanked. After tea the tables were cleared away
and the prizes were distributed. The after amusement was a concert conducted under the guidance of Miss Mercer and Miss Graham by children of the school. Christmas carols were sung and tableaux founded on time-honoured nursery rhymes performed until at nine o'clock all went home happy and pleased.

Mr. Dingley Brown, who has been organist since September, 1886, has resigned his position and is now organist of St. Clement's, Chicago. The posi-tion-is being temporarily and satistactorily filled by Miss May Graham.

The Sunday School Guild was organized on January 4th and is to meet for a devotional service on the first Sunday of each month.

## ST. JOHN.

The Sunday School Festival was a great success as usual. The tearhers worked energetically to make the children happy, and succeeded. Tea was spread in the old room and then the children adjourned to the new hall and were joined by a good number of their parents. A programme of carols, songs and recitations-in the later they had the valuable help of Niss Jackson, a talented elocutionist-then the Christmas Tree yielded its fruits to the Infant class. Soon after, the prizes were distributed-r 14 obtaining first prizes for Perfect Marks (252) throughout the year, and 19 second prizes for more than 240 marks. The members of the Junior Male Bible Class had each a Teacher's Bible given them, in part through the liberality of their Teacher, Mr. E. L.. Brittain.

The ladies met for sewing at the Rector's on Tuesday mornings at 10 and have completed a number of Pillow Cases, \&c., for the Home for the Aged and Hospital; and are now engaged in making garments for the Poor.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, HULL.

The Sunday School Festival was held on the evening of Epiphany day, and was very much enjoyed, if we may judge from the happy faces and merry voices of the children present. About a nundred children sat down to tea, after which there was a programme consistıng of carols, recitations,\&c. .
The Sunday School seems to be improving, and it is to be hoped that the mennbers of the Conyre. gation will manifest an increased interest in this important department of church work. If any have the will:and the means to give a small amount towards increasing the Sunday School Library, surh a donation will prove very acceptable. Dur present stock of books is very diminished, and most of the volumes begin to show those signs of ruin that usually follow in the track of juvenile hands, as well as juvenile feet.

A pleasing feature to the Rector of the Epiphany Festival was a birthday present made to him by the Sunday School teachers and ladies of the Guild, which was prized not only fo- its intrinsic worth, but even more especially for the kindness which prompted it.

## GIRIS FRIENDI. SOCIETY.

Again our monthly meeting was postponed one week; this time in consequence of Mrs. Cummings' lecture to the $W$. A., but on the 5 th 'lhursday of January we had a cheerful little gathering in St. George's school room. Being a quarterly meeting, we welcomed two new members to the Society, and were further exhilarated by extremely good coffee and cake. Reports were read from the St. John's and St. George's branches, but for the first, and we hope the last time, the new Magazine proved inimical to church work, for the Christ Church Secretary had been so busy over magaine work that she had entirely forgotten her G. F. S. report Howeve, the coffee made us lenient, and a good programme filled up the remainder of the evening. The serious part of the meeting was represented by two short addressesone from the Chaplain on the Septuagesima call to work in the lord's vineyard, and the other from Miss Harmon on the subject of sympathy and being resumsive.

## ST. ALBAN'S.

The second reception given by the Wiomen's Guild to the members of the congregation and ther friends, on Saturday; January $3^{\text {rd, was a suc- }}$ cess. The Ven. Archdeacon Iauder kindly took the chair, the Rector being prevented from-attending by illness. I first-class programme was furhished for those present, and refreshments were also supplied. No charge for admission was made, but those willing to contribute to the funds of the Guild had an opportunity of-so doing presented to them before leaving.
The amnual Epiphany Sunday School Festival was held on Monday, January th. An excellent tea was given to the children at $6.30-\mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Shortened livensong was taken by Rev. A. W. Mackay at 7.30 , who also gave one f his appropriate addresses to those present. line distribution of prizes to the children and to the choir boys then follow:d.
The Children's Church Missionary Guild held their open-monthly meeting on Thursday; January 2gth. Those present enjoyed the music and recitations which were given, and especially the recitation of the "Christmas leegend," by Master Patten Reiffenstein, which was really given in a masterly manaer, although the reciter is a boy of only cight years.

## ST. GEORGES CHURCH.

The Sunday Scheol lectival held during Epiphany was well at:ended by both parents and children. About 250 hatle people sat down to supper . Mfer this there was singing magic lanternexhibution, etc. Athe close, to the great delight of the little ones, Santa Claus appeared through, not the chmmey, but the vemilator, and presented every child with a present lrom the Christmas tree.

- Professor Clark lectured on lanuary $3^{1 \text { st-in }}$ the

School Room His subject was" Books and Stationery." Notwithstanding a somewhat unfavourable evening he had a very good audience, none of whom regretted having made the effort to be present. The unanimous feeling was that it was one of the best lectures ever given in Ottawa. Professor Clark also preached at both services at St. George's the next day. In the evening the church was crowded to its utmost capacity:

## NOTES.

The new chuich at Hintonburg has becn opened for-service.

The Pastoral on behalf of Foreign Missions was read in the Churches the first Sunday in January, and the offerings made were about the same as last year.

The Rev. E. H. Buller commenced his duties in Nepean Parish on Sunday, February Sth. He has been well received, and will doubtless prove an-energetic successor to Rev. G. Jemmeit.

The Board of Missions has issued an appeal to the children of the Sunday Schools asking them to take a deeper interest in mission work and to practise some self-denial during Lent, that they might make a large cffering for mission work-at Easter.

The Bishop of Qu'Appelie, the Hon.A. J. R. Anson, D.D., at the request of the Board of Missions, will visit the Diocese of Ontario during March. He will preach in Ottawa on Sunday, March Sth, and addess a meeting in St. John's Hallon Monday evening. The object of his visit is to give information concerning the work of the Church in the North-West and so stir up agreater interest.

Nearly all the meetings on behalt of the Diocesan Mission Fund have-been held in the city. The Rev. R. I..M. Houston was the deputation to St. Iohn's; Rev. W. Wright and Judge McDonald to Grace Church ; Rev. R. Metzler to St. George's and St. Luke's; Rev. J. Lowe and J. Atkinson to-St. Bartholomew's and St. Barmabas';-Rev. J. Haslam to Christ Church and St. Alban's. The reports from all quarters shew a decided increase in the receipts, and it is hoped that the result of the subscriptions collected on the " cards" will realize the necessary sum of $\$ 13,000$ this year against $\$ 9,000$ last year. Should it not be so, some of the Missions, it is feared, will have to be closed:

On Quinyuagesima Sunday a pastoral letter from the Bishop of Ontario was read in the various churches in the Diocese asking help for the Divinity Students' Fund. Since the yearly collection has been given up-its place being taken by one for the Superannuation Fund-the interest has not sufficed to pay the grants to those young men who were studying for the Ministry. Hence the capital has decreased, and an effort is being made to raise a sum to meet the continued calls
by syecial contributions durng lent. Anyone wishing to help this fund for the support of students in Divinity at College can procure envelopes from-the Clergy.

## SUNDAI SCHOOL TEACIFERS ASSOCIATION.

January 5 th, 1891 .-The meeting was held in Christ Church Chapel, at $S \mathrm{p}$. m. There were present Rev. H. Pollard-(in the chair), Ven. Archdeacon rauder, Ru. W: J. Muckleston, Rev. 1 . Garrett, and twelle teachers. After prayer, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed:

The Secretary-Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$2.73.

Mr. Shore referred to Mr. McNeil's suggestion of having delegates from each Sunday School to compare notes on Sunday School work, with the view of increasing the usefulness of the Association. It was decided to request the clergyman of each parish to submit the question to the consideration of their-Sunday School-teachers.

Mr. Shore remarked also that a-shortaddress from the clergymer would make the meetings more attractive.

Rev. W. J. Muckleston-gave an explanation-of the Prayer Book Lesson, Morning and Evening Prayer. Discussion-followed, chiefly by the Clergy present, proving that the changes made from the ancient services-had brought the present beautiful form almost to its original purity and simplicity.

The subject, "How to Teach a Class," was taken by Mr. Joynt, who showed that it was necessary to let the pupils see that theirteachers had their happiness at-heart, and one of the best means of interesting a Bible Class was to have a separate room which they could call their own.
A. Mclem,

Secretary-Treasurer.

## MRS. CUMMINGS.

I should like the readers of this magaaine to know of the every interesting address we had from Mrs. Cummings when she visited Otawa last week. Those who read the church-papers can see a condensed account in them, and many who have had the-pleasure of meeting Mrs. Cummings and hearing her in person, know already all the principal points of interest in her account of the hasty trip which she and Miss Patersen made through the North-West (ravelling 7,700 miles in twelve weeks). Still I-am sure many of those-who heard her last Thursday would like to express their tribute of gratitude and pleasure as others have done, so in their name I shall give a short report of the meeting. It took place in St. John's School House on Thursday, January 22nd, at 8-p.m., and althougn the weather was unfavourable those who were there found themselves fully
rewarded before the evening was over. The Ven. Archdeacon Lauder was chairman. The Missionary Litany was said by the Rev. W. J. Muckleston (who is cousin to Mrs. Cummings). We sang some hymnsand the Rector of St. John's Church, who is a member of the Mission Board, gave a short account of its formation seven years ago and subsequent work and progress. Then we had the pleasure of heariug Mrs. Cummings, who held our attention for the rest of the evening. So much has already been published that it will be unnecessary to give a full account of all she said. She amused her andience very much by descibing the narrow berth in the Bishop of Algoma's yacht on which he has to sleep for a monthat a time while making pastoral visits. Of course it at once recalled his Lordship's capacious shoulders and proved that his trips in the Evangeline are not mere pleasure jaunts. He brought them to visit old Chief Shirgwauk, and aroused their admiration by taking an axe from the old man and cutting a supply of wood for him. He requires $\$ 12,0 c 0$-in his-Diocese-besides what they raise themselves, and compares his present supply of funds to housekeeping with $\$ 3$ one week, $\$ 20$ the next, and nothing at all the next. From Sault Ste. Marre they visited Winnipeg, Elkhorn, Qu'Appelle (where thic good Bishop Anson entertained them in his simple house) Keewatin, Calgary, Yale, Victoria and Vancouver; paid anfling visit to San Francisco. On their return the formed branches of the W. A. at-both Victoria and Vancouver. As it was considered advisable to have both Iytton and Kamloops visited, they were most reluctantly obliged to separate, so Mrs. Cummings went to Kamloops where she met the Bishop of Corea, and had a delightful Cay with him, while Miss I'aterson went to l-yton and had an unfortunate mistake, for her escort took her a wrong route, and she had to spend the night on-the mountain: At Yale the ladies who conduct All Hallow's Schcol in a thoroughly efficient manner, are obliged to solicit support from-door to door. One poor thing told Mrs. Cummings she would rather stay at home and scrub. This-state of affairs ought not to be, for their work must be full enough of self-sacrifice without that.

Our travellers visited Dunmore, Piegan Reserve and I.ethbridge, then started homewards, reaching Toronto about the end of September. Among the Blackfeet, they were much-struck by the constant request for two things, trousers and soap, and thought it betokened a decided advance towards civilization until Mr. Tims explained that they were so taken by the novelty of soap that they wanted to use it-at all times. We were instructed in a neiw method of baking bread, viz., frying-it in lish fat. So many amusing things were told that there was merriment all the time, but of course these things were only "by the way," for Mrs" Cummings told so accurately the needs of ea=h place, that she must ere long see the result inincreased zeal for the work which the Woman's

Auxiliary in Canada has taken np, so that it may bring forth fruit to Hisglory, in whosename it is undertaken.
J. C. H.

## WOMANS AUXIMIARY.

The Ottawa Branch met in the basement of St. John's Church on January 27 th, at 3 p.m., the President in the Chair. The Corresponding Secretary read two letters from Mrs. Bourne and Miss Browne of the Piegan Reserve. The Treasurer reported the receipts for the month $\$ 2.05$; the value of the Twenty-Minutes Box sent to the Bishop of Algoma, $\$ 40$; in Mones $\$ 700$. Miss Baker stated that the number of subscribers to the Magazine has reached 410 . Mrs. Tilton had received a letter from an old member of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Harrison, enclosing 50 eents, wishing the magazine sent her. Five new members reported for Christ Church, two St. John's Church, one St. Alban's.

We had the pleasure of having Mis. Jas. Crawford, of Brockville, at our meeting.

Rupert's Land, Manitoba, the first subject for reading, was made interesting by Miss Baker; also by a small clipping contributed by Mrs. Parmelee.
«The Zenanas', by Mrs. Tilton, was much enjoyed. It was moved by Miss Green, seconded by Mrs. Matheson, that a special thank offering for Zenana work in India be taken up the first monthly meeting aiter Easter.

Subjects for Reading and Prayers the month of February, British Columbia and North China.

## A GOOD SUGGESTION:

One of the clergy at a-hatemissionary meeting contrasted the monotony and isolation of life in a country parsonage with the privileges enjoyed in the city, and begged that any one taking magazines or papers, either secular or religious, after having read them, would mail them to one of the clergy, when they would be highly appreciated by-those who, though well educated, very seldom have the luxury of reading a new book.

The address of a clergyman can be obtained from-Miss-Baker.

LENT, 1891.
It is earnestly desired tiat this sacred season, on which we have again been permittrd to enter, may be a time of rich blessing to all of us. Remember then, at the outset, that the main object of the Church in giving us this season is, to present Christ to us more distinctly as a Tempted and Suffering Saviour, that so we may be led to become mole like Him in heart and life. Strive to keep that end in view in the use of every means of grace, otherwise our services may become servile formalism or mere will worship.

Hear the call of Christ's example to walk with Him daily in the resistance of temptation and the discharge of duty. Forty days like forty steps lead you to share more deeply in the Lord's dying and rising again. Come near, then, and-desire of God that utter selfabandonment and cleanness from secret and open sin which Christ has mace possible. Seek a blessing by casting down the barriers of personal vanity: ard, meekly receiving the thrusts of the-Spirit's sword,-allow-self to be slain, that Christ may live in-you. Let your heart's desire include the salvation of your fellow-creatures, remembering your liability to hinder and your power to help then by word and example-

A vail jourselves of the opportunities of this Hols Scason. From a plan and adhere to it. Niake some sacrifice of your time and means to God. Attend the frequent services of the Church. Henor Christ by your presence at the Holy Communion. Let the home-life be full of the spirit of this hoiy time. Seek for occasions of voluntary self-denial. By private prayer, by thoughtful reading, by meditation, by honest selfexamination, prepare your hearts to receive the gracious influences of a "Ient, well spent."

The Lenten assembly is a school for the sons and: daughters of God to train one another as childrenof one family, where one is taught of all. The educating power of the Church is in a face-to face walk as brethren in love unfeigaed. If any is weak, here he may find the strong. If any is overtaken in a fault, he-is restored in the spirit of meekness. If any work is to be done, a hundred shoulders are put to the wheel. Let us measure our nearness to God by the drawing of our hearts to one another in these teenten prayers. God the Father show you His will. God the Son forgive your sins. God the Holy Ghost grant you to devise liberal things, for by liberal things you shall stand:

Classes have been formed in several churches preparatory to the Confirmations which are annually held about Easter.

## Baptisme, January, 1891,

Tons.-Sarah Olivia, d. of Frederick and Annic Eiizaiveth. Carson--Margatet, d. ol Robert and Susan.
Ronertson.-Ethel, d. of Richard and Francis.
Kimpron.-John_Thomas, s. of Thomas and Georgina.
Kımıтon.-Charles irthur, s. of Thomas and Georgina.
Fitzarkald.-Jessic Catherine, d. of William and Helen.
Cos.-William Edwin, s. of Edwin and Mary.
Hackerm:-Reginald William, s. of Reginald John and Mary Jane.
Humei.i..--Helen Gertrudc. d. of Henry and Taneí.

## Barials.

Jan. 5-Elizabeth McDowell. jo years.
9-Margaret, d. of Rolert and Susan Carson.
15-Marjoric Fuller, d. of - ... Monte.
16-Catherine Marks.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

## St. ALBAN'S CHURCH.

Rev. J. J. Bogert, M.A., R.D.
Sunday-Morning, it a.m.;-Evensong 7 p.m.
1)aily, 9.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. (Wednesday excepted), Wedneschay, 8.30 p.m.
Holy Commmion-Every Suncay, S a.m. ; first, third aud
fifth Sunday, 11 a.m. Holy days, 9.30 an.
Women's. Guild, Monday, 10 n.m.
Children's Church Missionary Guild, Friday, 4-p.m.
All seats frec. All services choral.

## ST: BARNABAS' CHURCH. <br> Kev. T. Balley, Metcalfe street.

Sunda;-Matins and-Litany, ir am.;-Evensong, 7 p.m.

Friday, 7 -30 p.m.
Sunday School, 2.45 pm. ; Bible Class, 4 p.m.
Holy Commmuzion-First and third Sumday in month, S
2.m.; Second and fourth at In a.m.

Holy ijays-Matins and Holy Communion, s a.m.-; Evensong, 5 p.m.
General Monthly Meeting of Guild of St. Barnabas, first
Friday in each month.

## HOLY TRINITY, OTTAWA EASI. <br> Sunday-Morning, in a.m. ;-Evening, 7 p.m.

Children's Service and Catechising; $3.50 \mathrm{prm.}$, , third-Sun-
day in month.
Sunday School, 3 p.m.
Holy Commanion-First Sunday in month, f1a.m.
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S GHURCH, NEW EDIN. IUURGII.
Rev. E. A. W. Manisgton.
Sunday-Matins, 11 a.m.; Evensung, 7-p.m.
Fridar-7.30 $\mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Sunday School and Bible Class, 2.30 p.m.
Holy Communion, every Sunday; Sa m . ; first Sunday-in
month, $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
Meeting of Women's Guild, Friday, 3 p.m.

## ST. MARGARET'S CIURCI, JANEVILLI.

Sunday-Evensong, 3 p.m- and-7.m.
Holy Communion, last Sunday in month, 9.30 a.m.
BELL'S CORNERS PARISH.
Rev. C. Sydney Gombman.
Sunday (first)-In Ianuary; Hazeldean, it a.mi. : Bells
Corners, 3 p.m. ;-Failowfichl 7 p.m.
Sirnagy (second) Fallowfield, il a.m.-: Hazeldean, 3
p.ni. ; Bell's Corners. 7 p.m.

Sunday (third)-Bell's-Corners, it a.m. : Fallowfield, 3 p.m.; Hazeldean, 7 p.m.

## CHRIST CHURCH.

Pen. Archdeacon Lauber, Kev. W. I. Meckreston.
Sunday-Morning, 11a. m.; Evening, 7.p. m.
Sunday School, 2.30-p. m. Mihle Class, 4 p. m.
Daily, $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and 5.15 p . m.
Holy Communion, every Sunday 8 a. m. ; first and thi
Sunday, 11 a.m.;-Thursday, Sa. m.;-Holy dajss, 10 a.m.
Baptisus, morning service, second Sunday in month.
Bible-Class, Friday, for women, 4.15 .

## ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH. <br> Rev.J. M. Snownos.

Sunday-Morning, - 1 ;-Evening, 7.
Sunday School, 2.45 p. m. ; Bible clanes, 3 p. m.
Holy Communion, first and third Sunday in the month,

## GLOUCESTER MISSION.

Rev. J.-M. V. King, (Billings' Bridge.)
Trinivy Church, Bhinings' - Br dok.-Sunday, in
a. m. and 7-p. m .

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
Friday, 7 p. m., Iollowed by choir practice.
Ifoly Communion, first and third Sunday at 8 a.m., and is a.m. alternately.
St. Georges Church,-Tarlorvinie. -Every alternate Sunday:-3-p. $=\mathrm{m}$.
Sq: James'Church, Cowas's.-Every alternate Sun-
day. 3 . m .

## GRACE CHURCH.

Rev. J. F Comman.
Sunday-Matins, 11-a.m.;-Evensong, 7-p.m:
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Holy Communion, ist and 3rd in month. Ina.m.
Bible Ciass for Confirmation candidates, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. ; for women, Friday, 4 p.m.

Ladies' Guild, first Tuesday in month.

## ST. JAMES CHURCH, HULL.

Rev. F.R.SMmi, Hull.
Sumay-Alorning, 11a.m. ; Evening, 7 p.m.
Friday $=7.30$ p.m., followed by choir practice.
Sunday School, $3^{-}$p.m.
Holy-Communion, -1 st and 3 rd in momh, it an.m.
1holy Baptism at the regular-services, or at-2.jo p.m. and
4 p.m. on Sunday.

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## HISTORICAL SKETCHES.

No 56-THE Late James a. Henderson, ESQ., D.C.L.

突N the January number of this Magazine, we alluded briefly to the death of James Alexander Henderson, Q.C., D.C.L.,Chancellor of the Diocese of Ontario, which occurred at Kingston on the 7th of December last, and we promised our readers a more extended notice of the life and career of this gentleman, who for over a quarter of a cemp tury has taken a leading part in Church work inhis own diocese, and has been a useful and prominent member of the Provincial Synod. The late Chancellor was born in February, 8821 , at Stoke, near Ply. mouth, in Eng land, and was consequently in the seventieth year of his age at the time of his death. He was the son of Capt. James Henderson, an officer in the Royal Navy, and his early training was intended to fit him for the same service, in which during his whole life he manifested a keen and instinctive interest.

In the year ${ }^{2} 835$, Mr. Henderson came to Canada and completed his education, which had been begun in England, at Upper Canada College in Toronto, where he made the acquaintance and secured the warm friendship of many fellow students who subsequently became distinguished in the history of this Province.
His military tactics led him at an early age to join the militia, and as an ensign in the year 1837, he was present at the battle which was

fought between the royalists and the rebels at Prescott. He subsequently became Lieut. Colonel of one of the regiments of reserve Militia, a position which he retained up to the time of his death.

In 1845 he married the eldest daughter of the late William Wilson, of New Court. Five children born of this marriage died in infancy; but eight, seven daughters and one son, survived their father. Six of the daughters are married respectively to Richard T. Walkem, Q. C., of Kingston, the Rev. E. P. Crawford, of Hamilton, Mr. S. W. Farrell, Mr. A. E. Richards, of Winnipeg, Major Drury, of A. Battery, Canadian Artillery, and Mr. John Galt, of Winnipeg. Stanley Henderson, the only son, resides in Vancouver, and Mrs. Henderson and her only unmarried daughter live at their family home in Kingston. Dr. Henderson's married life, though not free from affliction, was yet one of great happiness. He was a most affectionate hus. band and father, and a man of bright and cheerful disposition, and though he preferred thequiet of a domestic life, he was noted for his hospitality and for the readiness with which he entertained his clerical and lay brethren when the meetings of the Syncd or its committees called them to the city of Kingston.
Choosing the law as his profession, Mr. Henderson studied in the offices of the Hon. J. S. Cartwright at Kingston, and the Hon. Robert Baldwin in Toronto. Having been admitted to practice in 1843, he entered into partnership
with the late Sir. Henry Smith, a partnership which continued until the death of the latter gentleman in the year 1868 . He soon became known as a sound and painstaking lawyer, and although he did not appear at the bar as frequently as his partner, he established a reputation as a case lawyer and sound adviser which has been surpassed by few men in this Province.

*     * a time when the practice of the law was a tangled mystery, and when the form oi a pleading was all important in an action, Mr. Henderson's advice was eagerly sought by his fellow practitioners whose pleadings were confidently submitted to him for his inspection and settlement. In 1857 he was appointed Master in Chancery at Kingston, an important judicial position, which he occupied up to the time of his death; and it is but a just tribute to his ability to say that his duties were performed in such a manner as to give universal satisfaction, and that during his long tenure of the office, very few of his decisions were reversed on appeal. He possessed the great gift of unerring common sense, which, it is said, is one of the greatest talents a lawyer can possess.

In 1883 the University of Trinity College, of the Council of which he was afterwards a member, conferred on Mr. Henderson the degree of D.C.L.; and some years later he received from the Government a patent as Queen's Counsel. In 1878 he was elected one of the Benchers of the Law Society, and for some years before his death he was President of the Frontenac Law Association and leader of the Frontenac Bar. The doctor has no more sincere mourners than his fellow practitioners in the city of Kingston who were accustomed to apply to him for advice, which he freely gave them, and to whom he was endeared by his genial manners and his bright and cheerful disposition.

Early in life Dr. Henderson became a member of the Society of Freemasons, in the affairs of which he took a warm and active interest up to the time of his death. His devotion to the principles of his order, the profession and practice of which he always regarded as entirely consistent with his duties as a Christian and a churchman, was rewarded by his promotion in the year 1879 to the position of Grand Master, which he held for the usual term of two years. No man ever occupied the Grand Master's chair who was more beloved by his brethren than "The Doctor." His courteous manners, his accessibility, his singularly handsome face and physique, and his constant practice of the principles of Freemasonry made him a universal favorite with the fraternity. A few months before his death he was by acclamation elected to the position of Grand Master of the Templar organization in Canada. His funeral was conducted by his Masonic brethren with the ceremonies befitting his exalted rank.

Though Dr. Henderson devoted his time and talents chiefly to the practice of his profession and the affairs of his Church, he yet found opportuhity to attend to the interests of his fellow citizens. He was always anxious to promote the prosperity of the city in which he lived, and for many years before his death was president of the Frontenac Loan and Investment Society, the Kingston Gas Company and the Cemetery Company. His services in these positions were highly appreciated.
The writer once heard it said by one of our Bishops that whenever he wanted anything done he went to the busiest man of his acquaintance capable of doing it; that the man who had nothing to do was always too busy to do anything, and could never be depended upon.

The work of Dr. Henderson in connection with his Church recalls this remark to memory. Though busily occupied in the practice of his profession, he yet found a great deal of time to give to the service of that Church of which he was a life-long and devoted member.

At the time of the formation of the Diocese of Ontario, in 1862, Dr. Henderson was one of the churchwardens of St. George's Cathedral, and on behalf of the members of the Church of England in Kingston, read an address of welcome to the new Bishop, the Right Reverend John Travers Lewis. The Bishop fortunately recognizing in him the abilities which he subsequently displayed, appointed him Chancellor of the diocese, a choice which neither he nor the churchpeople of the diocese ever had reason te regret. The present prosperity of the Diocese of Ontario, so far at least as its temporal affairs are conce:ned, is largely due to the labors of its late Chancellor, who moulded its legislation and exercised a keen supervision over its finances ; and the thoroughly cordial feeling of confidence which exists between the Bishop, clergy and laity of the diocese is in some degree at least attributable to his salutary counsels and influence. His life work was crowned by the final revision of the Canons of the diocese, the adop, tion of which he moved at the last session of the Synod. The Bishop keenly feels the loss of his faithful counsellor and friend, the clergy mourn the death of one who was always ready to assist them with his advice and counsel ; and the laity will sorrow for the taking away of their chief representative who, while loyal to bis Bishop and the clergy of the diocese, was ever mindful of the rights and interests of his own order.

But the talents of Dr. Henderson found even a wider field for therr exercise than his own diocese. Constantly elected from the year 1862 as delegate from St. George's Cathedral to the Diocesan Synod, he was by the latter body, from. the year 1863 up to the time of his death, sent as one of its representatives to the Provincial Synod, where he took an active part in the Church work assigned to that body. He was a


SHINTO SHRINE, NEAR YOKOHAMA.
member of the most important committees, and his talents and capacity for business were fully recognized by his co-delegates.

On Sunday, the $7^{\text {th }}$ of December last, the useful life of Dr. Henderson came to an end. He died quietly and happily at half past four in the afternoon, having received the last rites of the Church from the hands of his son-in-law, the Rev. E. P. Crawford.

While his family mourn his loss, they are comforted by the conviction that his faithful service to his God will receive its due reward.
JAPAN.
by REV. J. COOPER ROBYNSON.
N account of its position and physical features, Japan has been not incorrectly described as "the Great Britain of the East." It occupies the same position towards Asia as Britain does to Europe, being but a few miles distant from the main land, but differs from its western namesake in being composed of a much greater number of islands, there being in the Japanese archipelago four large islands and an almost innumerable number of small ones.
The area of Japan is about a fifth less than that of the Province of Ontario, and the population is now about $\$ 40,000,000$. The four principalislands lie between the thirty-first and forty-sixth parallel of north latitude, their united
length being about twelve hundred miles and the breadth of the main island varying from a hundred to a hundred and seventy-five miles.

Though possessing few high peaks Japan is decidedly a mountainous country, and the scenery generally is very picturesque. The most lofty mountain, F ji San, is a beautiful cone 13,000 feet high, ind there are several others ranging from 4,000 to 9,000 feet. Many of the mountains are volcanoes, mostly extinct or quies cent, but eruptions occasionally take place. Shocks of earthquake are of frequent occurrence, especially in the neighborhood of the capital and in the southernmost island, and havesometimes been attended with disastrous results.

Japan has a few rivers which are important waterways, being navigable by boats of light draught, but most of the rivers during the greater part of the year are nothing more than torrent beds through which a very small stream ripples over the stones. During the rainy seasons, however, these apparently harmless streams suddenly become swollen to a great size, and if it were not for artificial banks, which have been constructed at great expense, the most fruitful parts of the country would then be inundated. Mountain streams are numerous and there are said to be more than six hundred waterfalls in the country, the largest of which is eight hundred feet high and one hundred feet broad.

Lakes abound to the number of about two hundred, but with one exception they are not large. Some of them, however, are exceedingly
beautiful, being situated high up among the mountains, and are favorite places of resort during the summer months, when the atmosphere of the plains becomes very oppressive.

Japan is not devoid of mineral wealth. Gold and silver were exported in considerable quantities by the Dutch and Portuguese, three centuries ago, but the present output of these metals is small. Copper is now an important article of export, and iron, tin and lead are also found. Coal is plentiful, but of inferior quality.

Although, on account of its character, only a small part of the country is capable of cultivation, Japan's principal source of wealth is agriculture. Its plains are exceedingly fruitful, and some of them, such as those surrounding Osaka and Nagoya, which are the largest in the country, yield two crops annually. Rice is the principal crop,but wheat and barley are alsogrown in considerable quantities, as well as a good variety of roots and. other vegetables. Tea, sill: and cotton are also valuable products both for home consumption and exportation to other countries. Fruit is generally plentiful, the principal varieties being oranges, persimmons, peaches, plums, apricots, figs, grapes and pears. Japanese pears are, however, very disappointing, being hard, coarse and almost devoid of flavor. Apples grow in the north, but are of inferior quality, and cherry trees abound and their blossoms are mag. nificent, but they bear no fruit.

Flowers may be seen in tloom the year round, except, perhaps, in the extreme north, and some of them, especially the chrysanthemums, grow to perfection. There is one thing, however, the lack of which sadly impairs the beauty of the country, and that is grass. Grass there is to be sure, but so coarse that sheep cannot live upon it, and one never sees a green meadow or lawn such as are so plentiful in Canada.

Japan is fairly supplied with animals, horses and cattle being the chief domestic ones. The Japanese horse is not a noble looking beast, being small and ill-shaped. Neither is his temper, as a rule, what it ought to be. He is fond of using both his heels and teeth for purposes other than those for which they are popularly supposed to have been intended, but he is Strong, and efforts are now being made to improve his breed. He is used principally for military purposes, but sometimes as a beast of burden.

On account of the prevalence of Buddhism, which forbids 1 aning life and using flesh as food, there was form erly little use for cattle, but now since Buddhisr. has, to a certain extent, lost its hold upon the people, and most of those who can afford it have taken to eating meat and drinking milk, the demand has greatly increased. Pigs are scarcely $n$ be found in Japan, and there are no sheep except such as are brought over from China, but in addition to beef, horse flesh and fowl are used for food.

Of wild animals, deer and wild boars are the
most plentiful, but foxes, badgers, and in some parts, bears are found.

Birds are not very numerous, but a good many. kinds are found, and some of them have beauti ful plumage, but very few are songsters. Some one once said "there are three remarkable things to be observed in Japan, viz, birds with out song, roses without scent and cats without tails." This, generally speaking, is true, and if he had added that Japanese dogs have neither beauty nor sense no one would have contradicted him, for I believe that in ugliness and uselessness the dogs of this country are matchless.

Next to rice, fish is the chief article of food for the Japanese. Both in the sea which surrounds their island home and in the inland waters, fish aboud in almost endless variety, and are a great source of wealth to the country.

The climate of Japan varies considerably. In the northernmost island the average temperature for the whole year is about $45^{\circ}$ Far., at Tokio it is about $57^{\circ}$, and at Nagasaki in the south it is $62^{\circ}$ : The extent of latitude accounts for this to some degree, but the climate is mainly influenced by monsoons and ocean currents. The prevailing wind from May till August is S. W. It blows off the Indian Occan, and being accompanied by heavy rains produces a hot and dampsummer. The N. E. monsoon continues from Oct. to Feb., making the winter months cool Sharp, frosty nights follow bright warm days, but changes of temperature are not so sudden or marked as in Canada. The southern part of Japan being in the latitude of Egypt, and having the Black stream from the equator flowing along its eastern coast, has a climate almost tropical in summer, while the northern part, being struck by an Arctic current is colder than England.

As there is scarcely any real country life in Japan, villages, towns and cities are numerous, and some of them very large. Tokio, the capital, extends nearly ten miles from north to south, and nearly the same distance from east to west. It is rapidly increasing in size, and now has a population of $1,200,000$. Next comes Osaka, also a growing city; with a population of about half a million. Kioto, the ancient capital, is not so large as it was in the days of the Mikado's residence there, but still is the third city and has a population of about 300,000 . These three are " Fu " or first-class cities, so called from being or having been the place of Imperial residence and the capital of the country. After these come the ordinary cities called "Shi," of which Nagoya with its 200,000 souls is chief.

Japanese cities are, as a rule, well laid out and have moderately wide and well made streets with a small open sewer on either side of each. Except on one or two streets in Tokio, sidewalks are not found outside the foreign concessions of the treaty ports, but, there being no heavy wag-


THE INDIAN SCHOOLS AT GLEICHEN, N.W.T.

## A TRIP THROUGH OUk

 MISSION FIELDS. ${ }^{9}$bY MRS, WILLOUGHBY CUNMINGS.
IV.-SASKATCHEWAN AND CALGARY.

## Part I.

OULD anyone ever torget the first time he was among the heathen? It does not seem possible to realize what heathenism is until one has been in themidst of it, and seen the degradation of womanhood, the uncleanness and wretchedness, all of which we know would vanish before the cleansing power of the precious Blood, which was shed for these poor creatures, as well as for us.

How vividly every incident of our first visit in the diocese of Calgary comes before my eyes. The drive in the early morning over rolling prairies from Gleichen with our old friend, Rev. J . W. Tims, to the mission house on the Blackfeet Reserve; the meeting next day with Miss Brown, who for nearly three years had been our very own missionary; the long prairie drives to visit the Indiansgathered for the Sun Dancesand the drives home again in the late twilight; the wierd dances, the visits to the tepees, the feasts to the Indians, and so much that was strange and amusing, but over and above all, the feeling of intense sa dness, when one realized that all these poor creatures, many of them so handsome and intelligent in appearance, were heathens. I say again, one cannot realize all that word means until one has been among them. It made one have a fellow-feeling with Mrs. Pickett, when she put a cent into her mission box, because she wasn't born a Jap.

In this diocese of Calgary are situated the two largest Reserves of heathen Indians in North America.

I asked Mr. T'ms why it was that the Indians much farthernorth, almost within the Arctic Circle are so muck. more christianized and civilized than are these Blackfeet. He told me that it was because all traffic, before the days of the C.P.R. used to be by way of the Saskatchewan River northward, and that missionary effort had been in the same direction, so that until about ten years ago the only white men with whom these Indians came in contact, were unprincipled traders, chiefly from the United States, who cheated them, gave them what has proved to be their greatest enemy-whiskey-and taught them many other vices.

When the Indiàns came into treaty with the government, however, matters were changed for the better, and with the help of the mounted police, these traders and whiskey sellers have become few and far between, and slowly but
surely the Indians are beginning to adopt the customs and habits of civilized life.

The Blackfeet nation is divided into three bands-the Blackfeet proper, the Piegans and the Bloods, and their missionaries are respectively, Rev. J. W. Tinss, Rev. H. Bourne and Rev. S. Trivett.

Of our visits to the two latter missions, I will speak in my next number.

The Blackfeet proper number at present about 1,900 Indians, and are scattered in small camps of about a dozen tepees each, on various parts of the large reserve.

Rev. Mr. Tims has been the only missionary of the Church working among these people. In the southern part of the Reserve, the Roman Catholics have a schocl and mission, but no other body of Christians has done anything for these Indiars. When Mr. Tims arrived among them he was unable to speak or understand a word of their language, and the difficulty of learni::g it may be realized when it is remembered that it had never oeen reduced to writing and could only be learned orally. After some years of diligent study, in which Mr. Tims' health suffered considerably, he has written, and the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge has published a Blackfeet grammar and dictionary, and the Gospel of St. Matthew, which latter is published by the Bible Society. That his work will be of inestimable benefit to other missionaries and workers among these Indians will readily be believed. Mr. Tims is assisted in his work by two school teachers, Mr. Haynes and Mr. Swainson, and by Miss Perkes, who has succeeded Miss Brown as matron of the Girls' Home, and who is supported by the Woman's Auxiliaries of the Toronto Diocese. Mr. Haynes also has charge of the boys, who are taken to live in the mission house, and Mrs. Swainson (nee Miss Tims) teaches the girls in the schools sewing and knit. ting. All are devoted 's their work, and to the poor Indians in their charge. A new day school, that like the other two day schools is partly supported by the Government (which gives $\$ 300$ to the teacher's salary, but makes no provision for buildings, heating or other expenses), has been begun some miles from the mission house, after many earnest persuasions from Chief Eagle Rib. Of course no teacher can live on the grant received from the Government, and it is earnestly hoped that church people will realize the great importance of this new opening for missionary work, and contribute for its support, as only by voluntary contributionscan thiswork be sustained, there being no fund from which to draw.

Our hearts sank within us when we saw in what wretched quarters the Girls' Home had been located from want of funds, and it is a cause of rejoicing that a building, small, but more suitable for the purpose, has been erected during the autumn.

Rev. Mr. Tims has applied to the Government
for money to pay for the erection of this building, and the item will be placed in the estimates for next session, when it is earnestly hoped that the appeal may be granted.

All whoknow anything of thelives the poor children live in their own homes, where whole families arecrowded intoone tepee or smallhut of one room, and where the children hear vile language and witness vice of all sorts, anyone who knows this must feel the importance of taking these poor children and placing them in homes where Christian trutts will be taught them by example as well as precept. Mr. Tims is one of the C. M. S. Missionaries, but neither that society nor the funds of the diocese can furnish any help for the schools or homes, and it rests upon Churchmen, especially in the eastern dioceses, to give to the utmost, so that the light of the Gospel may be made to shine on these darkened minds. Signs there are, and hopeful ones, even among the older Indians, of a break in the darkness. One of the minorchiefs, White Pup, has cold Mr. Tims that he does not pray to the sun anymore, but to the God of the Christians, and the Indians attend the services and show much more attention than they used formerly to do, and this year for the rirst time consented to give up their cruel torture dance with which the sun dances conclude.

Great gratitude was expressed to us by the chiefs for the gifts of warm clothing sent by the branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, and in many a tattered garment we recognized what had once been the work of buaj fingers of a Woman's Auxiliary worker, who, like Dorcas of old, makes coats and garments for her poorer brethren.

After we left Gleichen, we next went to visit the Sarcee Indians, near Calgary, and Mr. Tims kindly went with us to act as interpreter. These Sarcees are probably of the same family as the Beaver Indians, who live much firither north, for their language is very similar, and quite different from the Blackfeet. They speak and understand the latter, however, as they havelived for many years near neighbors-from an Indian point of view. Rev. Gibbon Stocken has charge of this mission, in addition to the white settlement at Fish Creek. On account of Mrs. Stocken's ill-health, she and her husband have 'een in England for some months, and the mison is looked after by Mr. Stanley Stocken, the Incumbent's brother. The Sarcee Indians are not as fine looking a race as are the Blackfeet, but they are wonderfully intelligent.

There are two day schools on the reserve, and a boarding school is much needed, were there some one to take charge of it, and funds for its support. At present, Mr. Stanley Stocken is working single handed-even cooking his own meals. Dc people in civilized homes ever realize the devotion of a life, which for Christ's sake is spent entirely alone among the heathen?

When in Calgary, the Bishop told us that he had been appealed to repeatedly to open two more missions among white settlers in the southern part of the diocese, but that for want of funds it was utterly impossible to do so, much as he regretted having to leave these sheep without-a shepherd, to stray into other folds.
In Calgary we saw the neat little church built of wood, and were rejoiced to hear that it is open daily for service in the summer months, and also to hear that it had been decided to enlarge the present wooden building, rather than to follow the example of others, and build an imposingstone church, and be burdened with debt. Rev. A. W. F. Cooper is the Rector. The church is lighted with electricity, and contains a a very fine and powerful vocalion. Rather a contrast was the place in which service was held at our next stopping place, Banff. In the clergy list one reads "Rev. W. J. Williams, Incumbent of St. George's, Banff," and one would receive rather a shock, if not warned beforehand, to find that the present "St.George's" is a log shanty of one room, large enough to seat about twentyfour people. A foundation for a Church has been laid for some time, but the work has been stopped for want of funds. Banff, however, can boast of large Methodist and Baptist places of worship, and it is rather disappointing to find that the Church has to be content with a $\log$ shanty.

During the lifetime of the first Bishop of Saskatchewan, the territory containing about 300,000 square miles, and (until the C.P.R. was built) not possessing a single mile of railway, was all one diocese. At the time of the consecration of the present bishop, August 7, 1887, the Provincial Synod of Rupert's Land, upon the request of the Bishop, decided to set apart the territory of Alberta as a separate See, giving it (according to ancient usage) the name of the cathedral town-Calgary. It was decided that the Bishop of Saskatchewan should be Bishop of Calgary also until an endowment should be raised for the new See, when the Bishop would resign one or the other of the cioceses, as he may think best. Toward this endowment, the sum of $t^{-1}, 000$ each has been promised by the Colonial Bishopric's Fund and the S. P. G., but at least $\$ 50,000$ is required for this much needed object. The town of Calgary alone is self-supporting, but it is expected that Lethbridge will become so shortly. All the other missions to the settlers are necessarily dependent upon outside help, and unless more is given than in the past, the work must languish, and the church must recede from the foremost place, which is hers now.
(To be continued.)

The three locomotives that have been sent to the Holy Land are called "Jerusalem," "Jaffa" and " Ramleh."


THE POPULATION OF INDIA.

罍HE above diagram represents the population of India, arranged according to the religious systems of the country. The small white square at the top represents the one half million of Protestant Christians, and the two lower squares the one and a half millions of Roman Catholics. The fifty darker squares at the top stand for the fifty millions of Mohammedans. The great body of the diagram marked by 188 dark squares, indicates the 188 millions of Hindus, while the seven lighter squares at the hottom shew the seven miiiions of Buddhists, Sikhs, Parsees, etc., and the six black squares, the six millions of Aboriginals. Thus it will be seen that out of the two hundred and fifty three millions of India, two millions alone are Christian, and of these one million and a half are Romanists.

## THE WOMEN OF INDIA.



F the two hundred and fifty three millions of India, one hundred and twenty four millions are women, one-third of whom (about forty-one million: are computed to be shut up in Zenanas and can only be effectually reached by female missionaries.

And a Zenana, what is it? A Zenana is that portion of an Indian gentleman's house set apart for the women. The imagination is apt to invest such a place with the gorgeous surroundings which are usually associated with Indian wealth and rank. The reality, however, is prosaic, and even commonplace. Instead of a mansion, the Zenana is frequently nothing more than a mud wall building, bare and uninviting, and probably situated on the other side of a court yard, or. a long narrow room at the end of a dark, dingy passage, or an attic even, reached only by means of a ladder. It is often the darkest, dirtiest and most wretched part of the establishment. The inmates, instead of being dressed in Oriental magnificence, are sim-


## ZENANA OF A PALACE IN INDIA.

ply and plainly clad. The rooms are bare and cheerless, for the Indian women usually sit on the floor, and little furniture is therefore needed; the place, in many instances, is suggestive of a prison rather than a home, and what we should call comfort is conspicuous by its absence.

Here are secluded the women of the house, and it is estimated that of the 120 millions of women in India, forty millions are shut up in Zenainas. But it becomes at once apparent that many of the circumstances which make home so precious a possession to us, are wanting in the Zenana. There is, for instance, no family life. It is true there is the wife, the mother, the sons, the daughters and the daughters-inlaw; but they never gather with husband and children in the family circle, which unites heart to heart in our English homes: the intercourse of the women with the male portion of the household is virtually excluded. Child life with all its hanpy associations is wanting; it cannot be said of an Indian home that there the children

> "Grow in beanty side by side, And fill one home with glee ;"
the seclusion of the girls makes this impossible. A daughter is frequently looked upon as a curse, and as a consequence the woman is more or less degraded in the eyes of the man. Doomed to an enforced inferiority, her life is without an inspiring purpose, and as a consequence it sinks to a drudgery worse than the treadmill.

There is, as we understand it, no social life. Society, there is none, except that which exists within the limited area of the $\overline{2}$ nana. Women are not allowed to see, much less to speak to, a man, unless he de a near relation. If ever they venture in public, they are wrapped up so completely in clothes that all they are permitted to see of the world is through a: eye-hole in the veil, or they are shut up in a dhoolie so closely as to resemble nothing so much as a bale of goods.

There is no intellectual life The women scarce-
ly ever read, although they are sometimes read to. Books are almost unknown. "Education is good," says the Hindu, "just as milk is good; but milk, given to a snake, becomes venom; so education to a woman becomes poison." The cultivation of any talent, such as music, is never attempted. The life of an Indian woman, unless she becomes a wife and the mother of a son, is too often only a dark, sad pilgrimage, from the cradle to the grave.

But sad as all this is, there remains the stili sadder thought that there is no religious life. The women of India sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. It is true they have a religion, but it is a religion of terror, and therefore without hope.

The character of the idols they worship only serves to deepen the gloom and despair of their spiritual lives.As children theyare taught to worship the goddess Kali. "See," said a sick child, "her bloody tongue, wicked face, "cruei hands, necklace of skulls; our gods are terrible; I cannot help screaming when I see them." To such a deity are the children in India taught to pray. Only let a Christian mother picture to herself what her feelings would be if the life and sentiments of her child were dominated by such a religious influence as this, and then contrast the happy time of evening prayer, when, her littleone kneeling by her side, or on her lap, she directs its voice in worship to "Our Father in Heaven."

But if the condition of women in India is sad, the condition of Hindu widows is deplorable. In India, widows are subject to treatment akin to criminal. They seem singled out for special cruelties. They are looked upon as cursed of God, and they are scorned by man. If their wrongs and sufferings were oniy fully known, this country would ring with a cry of righteous indignation. What would be thought, for instance if in England one thousand women, the faithful wives of respected husbands, were shut up in one of our prisons, their kindred and friends permitted to heap upon them every kind of abuse and indignity, making their lives a drudgery, and their very existence a burden too heavy to bear; and all this, not because they had committed any crime, but because of a misfortune which she could not possibly avert : they are widows? The thing would not meet with a moment's toleration, and yet in India millions of women are so treated; and it is scarcely an exaggeration to say that many of our criminals at home receive at our hands greater consideration. At what age may they become subject to such cruelties? From childhood: the child wife of an aged man is no uncommon case: widows at ten, widows at seventeen. "I never can remember," said a mere girl, " the time when I was not a widow."
In the census of 188I there were no less than 54,000 child widows under ten years of age.
Such is the field which lies open for missionary zeal and work.

## MISSIONARY WORK IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

iny tife hey i. a. thomas, rector op warwick, diozbse of huron. dealing with this subject, I shall confine myself to an attempt at answering three questions, beginning respectively with the words,
"what ?" " how ?" "why ?"
I. What is the general pcsition of the Sunday school towards the Church ? Out of this general relationship will arise the relationship towatus any specific branch of church work. "The Sunday school is the nursery of the Church." This is a very old and trite saying; yet it is not so old as to be decrepit, nor so trite as to have had all its truth worn away or utilized. So far is this from being the case, so far are the power and application of this adage from being exhausted, that I find in it the clue to the maze in which I became involved when I began to consider earnestly the important subject of missionary work in Sunday schools. In this adage is implied the scriptural fact that "TheChurch is the family or household of God;" and, as in the natural household, the whole training of the nursery should be arranged and carried on with a view to the enabling of the children at a very early age to undertake their due share in the duties of the household, and ultimately to be fitted for citizenship in the social and pohtical world; so the training in the Sunclay school should be such as to enable its inmates very soon to become active partners in all branches of work pertaining to the spiritual household, and finally to become citizens of the Kingdom above. This is the great object of the Sunday school:-not merely that we may have systematic organizations, and excellent machinery, and pleasant pic-nics, and agreeable tea-rneetings; but that we may, under God's blessing, so enlighten the minds, touch the hearts and mould the lives of our pupils as to lead them to become good citizens, and intelligent, earnest and devout Christians, ready and willing to enter with spirit and understanding into all beneficent and philanthropic enterprises.

To every rightminded teacher, this is the one object of his labors; for this he lives and works and prays Whatever else is accomplished by means of the Sunday school; if this is not done, the school is a failure: what else fails; if this is done, the school is a success. Now, among the many enterprises in which the Church is called to engage, none is more important than the Missionary Enterprise, and, therefore, there is none in which it is more necessary that the children of "The Church Nursery" should be taught at an early age to take an interest and bear a hand. All are well aware that impressions made upon the mind of a young child are seldom, if ever, effaced, and that habits formed in childhood con-
tinue to mould the life and guide the heart long after the removal or extinction of the causes which produced them. How important then is it that our children shouid early learn to take a practical irterest in missionary work; for the spirit of missions is the spirit of Christ, and that Sunday school in which the scholars are not taught by precept, by example and by practice, to aid in sending the Gospel to the heathen, at home or abroad, is not obeying the Master's express command, is not teaching the Christ of the Scriptures;-nay, more, is robbing its scholars of the high and holy privilege of being co-workers with God in the extension and edification of His kingdom.
2. How, then, shall we proceed in order to bring about a consummation so devoutly to be wished? How shall we get the Sunday school to take its proper position of practical interest in missionary work ?

1. By givinginformation. Beginning with the infant class, and continuing through the different grades, teacl: the scholars in proportion to their ability to comprehend it. The great Fundamental Principle that all true life consists in giving-that the sun gives its light and heat to cheer and warm the earth-that the ocean gives its vapor to form the clouds-that the clouds give their moisture in rain to water the plants and animals upon the earth, and to form springs and rivers-that the springs and rivers give their waters back to the ocean-that the mother gives her ${ }^{-} \quad-$ the rearing and caring for her child-that God gives us all things richly to en-joy-that He gave His only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to save us-ang that he asks us to give Him our hearts and to tell others of His loving gifts, so that they too may be led to give themselves to His service and for His glory.
2. By provoking sympathy for missionary objects. This is inseparably connected with the giving of information, and results from it There is scarcely anything that will prove more interesting to the child-mind, or that will more effectively touch the child-heart than will the stories of heathen darkness and misery as contrasted with the light and happiness enjoyed by those who are surrounded by Christian influence. The account of the position which women and girls occupy in heathen lands-of how the Hindoo mother frequently throws her infant girls to the crocodiles of the Ganges; set over against the Christian mother's loving care-of how in heathen lands woman is the slave, the drudge, at best the mere toy of man, having no expericnce of love here or hope of happiness hereafter; in contrast with the lot of the Christian woman, as the friend, the companion, the adviser, the equal of man, loved and respected here and with him sharing the same hope of the futurethe account of these contrasts, and of others such as these, can be easily made to fill the young hearts with gratitude, and to cause the
youthful soul to pour forth in genuine sympathy and practical benevolence towards those who are so benighted and degraded, especially when, by reference to the history of our ancient British Saxon and Norman ancestors, it is pointed out that we, without the Gospel should have been in the same darkness and misery.

Clossly allied to this, and serving a similar purpose in inspiring the scholars with sympathy for missionary work, is the story of Missionary Heroism.
Shic: them that our Lord and Saviour not only tanght and exhorted His disciples to enter upon and engage heartily in missionary work, hut also that He was Himself the great pioneer in the missionary field-that He not only said, " Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel"; but that before He gave the command, He set the example by leaving His own beanti-. ful home in heaven; coming to this sinful world, living the life of a servant; suffering the hunger and thirst of a beggar; enduring the scorn, contempt, hatred and abuse meted out to the most mean and degraded: and at last dying the painful and shameful death of the malefartor; in order that He might huy us back from the bondage to Satan, and give to us the glorious liberty of the children of God.

Glean for them from New Testament fields, and relate to them as graphically as possible the stories of the travels, trials and tribulations of the great missionary Apostle of the Gentiles. Tell them of his glowing zeal and glorious triumphs, as he held on his way, counting not his lite dear unto him that he might fimish his course with joy. Describe to them the cieeds of Patrick and Columba and Aurustine, in the early Cluristian centuries; and show them how glorious a record has been made by their successors in modern times. Relate to them the story of John Eliot, the missionary to the Red men of our own Continent, with his life of unwearied toil and patient gentleness; of David Brainerd's wearing out his soul among savages, while disease was fast consuming his body, his motto being, "My heaven is to please God and to glorify Him ; "--of Henry Martyn sinking into his lonely grave in plague-stricken India :of Judson and the horrors of his Burmese pri-son;-of Bishop Heber, found dead in his bath at Trichinope. $;-$ of John Williams, dying a martyr's death at Erromanga; -of Allen Gardiner, starved to death in the long winter of an Antarctic island, while on a rock, near which his skeleton was found, he had painted the words, "My soul, wait thou upon God, for my hope is in Him;"-of Bishop Mackenzic, sinking through fatigue and ferer, in the swamps of the Zamberi, not looking for earthly happiness, as he said to inis sister, bat to be the "sharer of every one's sorrows, the comforter of every ones grief;" of David Livingstone, the missionary explorer, laying down lis life in his African hut, with no
white face near, his last words being, "All I can ask in my solitude is heaven's richest blessing on every one who will help to heal the open sore of the world;"-of Coleridge Patteson, the noble martyr-bishod of Melanesia, forsaking the refinements and comforts of his cultivated home, falling a prey to the bludgeons of the savages of the Pacific, whom he had gone to teach, and having his body, with a palm-branch in his folded hands, placed in an open canoe, and launched upon the lonely waters;-of Bishop Hannington, shot down in Central Africa, with his own rifle;-of his successor, Bishop Parker, who so nobly offered himself to fill the breach left open by the martyrdom of Hannington, and of his falling a victim to the deadly malaria; and (though last mentioned, not the least) of the Christian soldier Gordon, and of how, night after night he paced his lonely round, the only white man in a city swarming with dark-skinned traitors, of how each morning a folded handkerchief laid outside his deer was the signal that he must not be disturbed during his hour of devotion to his God, of how he fell, stabbed by the cowardly rebel, and died-the noblest soldier-heart that has bled for a quarter of a ceutury ;-tell them of these, and assist them to find in the pages of The Missionary Gleaner, The Spirit of Missions, The Cavadian Churca Macazivf, and other publications, the stories of many others who are spending themselves, and are being spent, in order to win the heathen for Christ ; and the effect must be to stir up the school to a grand missionary zeal, and perchance, under God, to lead some youthful hero to consecrate his bright young life to the same noble cause, and to win the reward of those who hereafter "shall shine like the stars for ever and ever."
(To be continucd.)

## OUR PARISHES AND CHURCHES.

## NO. 55 -ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, BEELEVILLEE.



HIS city was formerly called Meyer's Creek; it was given its present name in 1S16 by the then Governor. It was incorporated as a town, 1850 .

In January 1878 , Belleville became a city by special act of Parliamert, having 10,000 inhabitants.

Belleville is beautifully situated, the principal residences beits on two hills. Between them runs the river Aioira, which here empties into the Bay of Quint:.

The first church built in this section of the country uas crected in this rity in $1 \$ 20$, on the most beautiful spot in the city, the corner of Bridge and Church Strects, on the castern side of the river. It was built of brick, many of the


ST. THOMAS CHURCH, BELLEVILLE. diocese of ontario.
seats were of the old fashioned square family pew style, with a table in the centre, which was probably more comfortable than ecclesiastical. The pulpit and prayer desk of the well known three-decker style were placed in the centre of the church, behind which was the chancel.
The use of the black gown in the pulpit nccessitated many a processic. from the pulpit to the vestry, which was at the west end of the church, in order to change surplice for gown and then gown for surplice.

This church becoming unfit for service, and unsafe, each swing of the bell causing it to creak (there was a church bell in Belleville in those diays), the building was torn down and the cotner stone of a new one was laid in 1855 , by Dr. Ridley (father of Dr. Ridley, of Hamilton), who was one of the prominent churchmen at the time.

This building was destroyed by fire on February 26,1876 , and, owing to some disagreements among the congregation, was not again erected unti' three years had expired. The new church was opened for service December, 1579.
The seating capacity of this St. Thomas' Church is about 600 . The seats are nearly all rented. The average congregation being aibout 200.

The building is of stone, and gothic in style.
into the back country
Mr. Grier felt the necessity of having assistance in his work, so. in September, 1861 , he call ed to his aid the Rev. Scptimus Jones, who proved a most earnest and zealous worker. He remained curate for two years and then left to take charge of another congregation in another part of the town. The Rev. Arthur Baldwin took Mr. Jones' position.
The decease of the Rev. John Grier in 1870, called up many reminiscences in connection with Church work in Belleville, as he had been rector of the parish for over thirty-three years, during which time he was prominently associated with the social, religious and educational interests of the town. His kind and affable manner secured for him a friend in everyone and his presence on all occasions was sure to give iife and cheer to those assembled. The handsome St. Thomas' Church was erected entirely under his supervision, he watching the laying of nearly every stone from basement to finish. For over thirty years he had been chairman of the Grammar and Joint School Trustees of the town, and only declined when old age wamed him that his time was nearly over,-a result which took place, strange to say, almost immediately aiterwards. When he took charge of Belleville it was but a small village, and he lived to see it an incorporated city.

On his death the venerable Archdeacon Patton was appointed to the rectory, but he did not remain long in charge, for he was soon called from the Church militant to the rest and peace of Paradise ; but not before he had by his Christian and gentle mennery en many warm friends. The death of the rector was not only a great loss to the church in Belleville, but to the whole diocese, of which he was the most efficient Archdeacon. Bishop Lewis never suffered so great a loss in the removal of a clergyman as in this case, the Bishop's words at the funcral told how keenly he felt his loss, he was indeed the Bishop's right hand man.

The Rev. J. W Burke, the present rector succeeded the Archdeacon, and was assisted for some time by Rev. J. W. Muckleston, who had also assisted the previous rector.

Soon after Mr. Burke's appointment he had a chapel of ease, known as St. Paul's, erected in the southern part of the town.

St. Thomas is one of those fortunate or unfortunate parishes, as the case may be, in which the rector receives no portion of his stipend from the people, it being endowed. There is also in connection with it, a handsome rectory and Sunday-school house.

## MOTHERLESS.

登ROM a far-away country town a bex of wild flowers had come to the Children's Hospital in the city of C-. Just at dusk the new nurse stopped in her rounds before one cot where a poor little sufferer lay, clasping in his thin hands a bunch of blue violets. The little fellow tossed and turned from side to side; ever and anon he would start up murmuring something about "Little Jack," then fall back whispering, "too late, too late."
"Bad case, bad case, nurse; father and mother both died of same fever, balby found dead, and this boy will go soon," and the old doctor shook his head gravelv.
"Poor little fellow," murmured the nurse. "To die alone; no mother's hand to wipe away the gathering dews of death; no mother's arms; no mother's kiss!"

She brushed back the damp golden curls from the white forehead: the blue eyes opened wide and a faint voice whispered, "Mother!" The nurse bent pitingly over him, his eyes searched her face, then closed wearily. "Oh, I want my mother!" he moaned.
"Poor baby," said the physician, "he will have his mother soon."

The child started up, "Rock me, mother," he cried. Very tenderly he lifted the little figure and placed it in the nurse's arm; the weary nead dropped upon her shoulder; the hands, still holding the violets, were folded lovingly
around her neck. To and fro she cradled him; the room was growing dark, a faint streak of light came in at the eastern window and slipped softly across the ledge.
"Sing to me," the child whispered; very sweetly on the air rose and fell the music of that old, old hymn :

> Hide me, $O$, my Saviour, hide, Till the storm of life is past ;

Nearer and nearer crept the moonlight till it tonched the swaying figure:

Safe into the haven guide, O, receive my soul at last.
The song ceased, "Mother, I'm too tired to kneel to-night," murmured the child, then softly added: "Now-I - lay me down-to-sleep _I__," with a long sigh the blue eyes closed tiredly; the arms slipped down; all was still. The moonlight flooded the room with silver; it lingered about the little white robed child; it fell upon the golden curls and half-closed lids; and the withered flowers fallen loosely now from the tired hands. There was a faint, sweet perfume of violets as the rocker crushed to and fro; nothing stirred in the room save the swaying figure in the moonlight.

The doctor touched the nurse and gently said: "The child is with its mother."-Sclected.

Mr. Gladstone advocates systematic giving and offers to assist in forming an association in its favour.

France which a century ago was the most populous coun'ry in Europe is now rapidly falling behind in that respect.

The Mormons of the United States have abolished polygamy and will therefore become ordinary citizens of the great Republic.

Ve are told that in New York alone there are now 500 millionaires, and that in the coffers of American Protestant Christians there are not less than ten thousand millions of dollars. Alas, that the mission cause should languish, when there is at hand such a tremendous power as this one item alone indicates !

Io raise large sums for missions we have no need to depend on a few large givers, but onlyto organize "the littles." If hundreds of the poorer folk would only take subscription cards and fill them up with such sums as they were able, the result would be tremendous. The sea is made by the rivers, the rivers by the rills, the rills by the showers and the showers by the drops. Enormous sums are lost to the Church in this way, by not organizing the great masses of the poor and lowly.

## Young People's Department.



CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS.

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HAT can little children do when they have only coppers and five cent pieces to save? Well, to begin with, a great many children have more than coppers and five cent pieces. Indeed, if they would count all they spend in a week on candy and fruit and toys they would find that it would be quite a nice little sum of money. But even if it is only a few coppers or five cent pieces, don't you think little children could save some of them for the Church of the Lord Jesus? A little child will say, "It's only a copper, and a copper won't be missed." But, think a little. Suppose a hundred children give each a copper, that will be one hundred cents, and one hundred cents make a dollar. Then suppose they give that every Sunduy, how much will that amount to at the end of the year? "Fifty-two dollars" I hear one child say. Yes, we will say about fifty dollars, and is not that worth something? Little drops of water make the river, children, and the sea, and little gifts from children make up sometimes a large amount. The children of a few Sunday schouls in the United States contributed last year thousands of dollars to help missionaries. Don't you think the children of Canada could do the same?

During this Lent the Mission Board of your Church asks for your offerings for missions. See the children in the picture bringing their offer-
ings to the church. Will you not save some of your money during Lent, and then bring it on Easter Sunday in boxes to the church?

Think of all the good you might do, children, with your little prayers and offerings for missionaries. It is God's work and He will bless you in it.

## THE STORY OF "CORSAIR."

From Thr Canabias Indian.
N the autumn of 1844 there arrived in England fourteen lowa Indians, from the wild West, under the care of Messrs. Melody and Catlin. Among the party was a handsome "brave," named Shon-ta-yi-ga (little Wolf), and his wife, O-kec-wc-me; and they had with them a baby boy, born on the voyage, and named after the ship, "Corsair." These Indians, dressed in their wild Indian costume, visited London, Birmingham, Newcastle, Edinburgh and Paris, and had audiences with Her Majesty the Queen, King Louis Phillipe, the Duke of Wellington, Mr. Disraeli and other noted personages.
The little papoos: was taken ill at Edinburgh, and died at Dundee, February 8, 1845. After its remains were laid in a coffin, each of the young men of the party ran a knife through the fleshy part of his left arm, and drawing a white feather through the wound, deposited it, with the blood on it, in the coffin with the body.

The father and mother at the same time brought all the presents they had received while travelling-money, trinkets, etc., etc., and deposited them in the coffin. But they were unwilling to leave the child's body among strangers, and wanted to take it home with them to America, Learning that this would be impossible, they asked to have it conveyed to Newcastle and interred in the Friend's burying ground, where, they said, they believed it would be well cared for and guarded. So it was conveyed to Newcastle, and was received with the greatest kindness by Mrs. Richardson (Rev. E. F. Wilson's aunt), and other kind friends, who attended to its burial in the Society's beautiful cemetery. The little coffin was of polished mahogany. It was opened at Newcastle, and a cast taken of the child's face. The child was dressed in an English white robe and cap, and had no ornaments on it except a Victoria medal and a few strings of wampum. Shon-ta-yi-ga sent word to his friends that it was the custom of his people to cut patterns of human hands, scalping knives, arrows, etc., in wood, and to bury them with a child in order to record its father's exploits; but as he could not do this, he sent, instead, a sheet of brown paper, with rude drawings, in colors, of articles that would have been enclosed. They showed that he had fought in nineteen battles, and there were impressions of four human hands, and outlines of six scalping knives, three arrows, and two or three scalps. This picture is still kept by Mrs. Richardson; and the two little Indian boys from the Shingwauk Home, who went to England with Mr. Wilson, in the spring of 1890, saw the picture, and also the cast of the baby's face.

The following lines were written shortly after the baby's death, by J. O. Murray :-

[^2]He bore its cold and lifeless form About in fond embrace, As if its frozen veins might warm Upon his bounding heart; his storm Of sighs its breath replace.
" I dare not lay it here," he said,
"1isut 'mong those Southern Priends
Who on the Red man kindness shed,
My babe shall lay its little head;
And peace and calm shall come instead
Of grief my heart that rends."
And so the Indian infant lies, Far from its fatherland,
Beneath the sun of English shies,
Whither its parents' thoughts and sighs Are sent from strand to strand.

And o'er it poplar branches wave, And White men's children lie All round the child of that wild " Brave";
And the Great Spirit o'er its grave Looks down with love from high.

## A YOUNG AFRICAN HERO.

N Central Africa, a few years ago, some boys were roasted to death by order of the king because they were Christians. Yet in spite of this, a boy of about sixteen was brave enough to wish to become a Christian.
He came to the missionary, and said in his own language:
"My friend, I wish to be baptised."
"Do you know what you are asking?" said the missionary in surprise.
"I know, my friend."
"But if you say that you are a Christian, they will kill you!"
"I know, my friend."
"But if they ask you if you are a Christian, will you tell a lic, and say, "No'?"

Bravely and firmly came the boy's ans:ver: "I shall confess, my friend."

A little talk followed, in which he showed clearly that he understood what it was to be a Christian, so the missionary baptised him by the name of Samweli, which is the same as our Samuel.

The king found him so useful that he employed him to collect the taxes which are paid in cowries.*

One day, when he was away on this business, the king again got angry with the Christians, and ordered that all the leading ones should be killed. Thirty were at once seized and roasted to death. Samweli's name was found upon the list. As he came back, he heard of the death that was waiting for him. That night, when it was quite dark, the missionary was a waked by a low knocking at the door. It was Samweli and his friends, come to know what he should do.

[^3]Should he run away, or must he go and hand over the money he had collected? After a silence, the missionary said, "Tell me what you think."

Looking up, Samweli replied: "My friend, I cannot leave the things of the king."

His friends earnestly begged him to fly, but the missionary said: "No, he is right. He has spoken well ; he must deliver up the money."

They all knelt down in prayer together, the missionary wondering sadly if he should ever sec the young hero again.
"My friend, I shall try to start early, and leave the cowries with the chief," said the lad, as he set off; "but I fear my carriers will not be ready till after daylight, and if 1 am seen, I shall be caught. Good-bye."

But God kept him. He went boldly to the chief's hut, put down the cowries, and walked avay. He went again a few nights after to tell the missionary, who said; "You ran when you got outside."
"No my friend; for I should have been noticed at once. I walked quite slo vly till I got out of sight, and then I ran as fast as I could, and so I escaped."

This is a true story taken from Mr. Ashe's book, "Two Kings of Uganda." It shows that the love of Christ can make a heathen boy brave to do his duty even in the face of danger and death. "In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence."

The lives of Livingstone and Stanley are now held up as those of good and great men, yet one contrast between them is prominent. Livingstone trod the wilds of Africa, and encountered dangers that are almost inconceivable, yet he never used the smallest semblance of violence. He did not even carry a pocket-pistol, and was defenceless even against wild beasts. His great weapon of defence was Christian love, which he exercised in all directions, and not a spark of injury ever followed in the train of this king of men. But with Stanley it was different, at least in his former passage across the Dark Continent. His path was strewn with the blood of the slain, and quantities of intoxicating liquors were distributed to the wretched natives, which was equivalent to dealing out to them so much death. But Stanley afterwards learned better things, and in Darkest Africa was constrained in a dark and trying hour humbly, and earnestly to seek the aid of the God of Livingstone, and "he vowed a vow in the forest solitudes that he would confess this aid before men." This he has done, and let us hope that his future career will be tempered by that true Ch stian spirit, that Charity, which is the "greatest thing on earth," which in so marked a degree belonged to his great predecessor.

> WANTED!

> 13y Sarail Geralimina Stock, in tite "Childreh's World."
> Wanter)! young feet to follow Where Jesus leads the way
> Into the helds where harvest Is rip'ning day by day ;
> Now, while the breath of morning Scents all the dewy air,
> Now, in the fresh, sweet dawning, Oh ! follow Jesus there !

> Wanted! young hands to labor: The fields are broad and wide,
> And harvest waits the reaper Around on ev'ry side ;
> None are too poor or lowly, None are too weak or small,
> For in 1 lis service holy The Master needs them all.

> Wanted! young ears to listen, Wanted ! young eyes to see,
> Wanted : young hearts to answer With throb of sympathy
> When on the wild waves' sighing The strange, sad tale is borne Of lands in darkness lying, Forsatien and forlorn.

> Wanted ! the young soul's ardour : Wanted! the young mind's powers;
> Wanted ! the young lip's freshness: Wanted ! youth's golden hours, Wanted to tell the story, To watch the glad sunrise,
> To hail the coming glory, To seek, and win the prize !

> Come ! for the Saviour calls you ! Come! for the work is great!
> Come! for the hours are hastening ; Come ! cre it be too late!
> Come, and be burden bearers With Him, your glorious I.ord ;
> Come, and be happy sharers In llis most blest reward.

Ten years ago " Bob" Ingersoll predicted that in ten years two theatres would be built to one clurch. As there never was a greater age for building churches than the present, and never a brighter outlook for the spread of Christ's Kingdom, both at home and abroad, we await some further prediction from the astute "Colonel."

Robert Hali, arguing with a clergyman suspected of having changed his opinions from mercenary motives, proposed to him several reforms of great importance, but was invariably met with the reply: "I don't see it ; I can't see it at all." Mr. Hall then wrote the word "God" on an envelope and said, "Can you see that?" "Yes?" He then covered it with a half sovereign and said, "Can you see it now?" "No." Mr. Hall said no mure. He went away. The lesson was taught. There are many professed disciples who hold a dollar so near the eye that they can see scarcely anything eise.

## PASSING.

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HAI ship is this comes sailing Across the harleour bar, so strange, yet half familiar, With treasure from afar ? O comrades shout, good leells ring unt, Peal loud your merry din! Oli, joy! At last across the bay
My ship comes sailing in !".
Men said in low whippers,
"It is the passing bell, At last his toil is ended." They praged, "Godre thim well!"
"Ho, eaphain, my captain !
What store have you on looard!"
" A treasure far richer
Than gems or golden hoard;
The broken promise welded firm, The long-forgotten kiss ;
The love more worth than all on earth,
All joys life seemed to miss."
The watchers sighed softly,
"It is the death change, What vision blest has given That_rapture deep and stange?"
"O captain, dear cap!ain, What forms are those I see On deck there beside you? They smile and beckon me, And soft voices call meThose voices sure I know!"
"All friends are here that you held dear
In the swect long ago."
"The death smile," they murmured :
"It is so passing sweet
We scarce have heart to hide it
Beneath the winding sheet."
"O captain, I know you !
Are you not Christ the Lord?
With light heart and joyous
I hasten now on board.
Set sail, set sail before the gale,
Our rip will soon be o'er;
To-night we'll cast our anchur fast Beside the heavenly thore."

Men sighed, lay himgenty
Beneath the heavy sodi."
The soul afar beyond the bar.
Went sailing on to (iost.

We don't hear very much at the present day on the subject of evolution. It is true that some writers like to speak of it asean absolutely established fact, and calmly imply that no one of any reading or culture believes in anything else; yet perhaps there is no theory that has ever been started which has so little evidence to support it. Many of its great exponents virtually admit this. Dr. Tyndall, for instance, allows that " no shred of trustworthy experimental testimony exists on the side of spontaneous evolution," and Professor Huxley allows that the doctrine of Biogenesis (which is in fact that life cannot spring from dead matter) is "victorious along the whole line." It is little wonder then that enthusiasm regarding it is dying out.

Hacckel's imaginary Continent of Limuria, where missing links were supposed to have flourished, is fast fading away, to the unsatisfactoriness of all things fanciful. As a means of assisting humanity, evolution has not much to recommend it. Suppose it had missionaries out among the heathen pressing its claims upon them to-day. Of what particular advantage would it be to the savages to preach to them that they are the lineal descendants of apes and gorillas? Is there anything in the idea which could at all elcvate their thoughts or help them? How different, in all respects, is the attitude of the Christian missionary towards the heathen! He has a revelation from God, a story direct from Him, a story of love and good will, and his story is supported by a fair amount of evidence, which, of course, is not to be despised. At all events it quickly asserts itself, and the savages soon feel its wonderful influence. What move of scientists can ever shake its power? No theory of man can seize the soul and influence it as Christianity does, and perhaps the strongest expression descriptive of this power comes from Charles Darwin himself, whose mental exertions were spent upon "thegreat Hypothesis," when he said that the work of the missionary in its beneficial effect upon barbarous people was like the wave of the magician's wand.
"One proof" says an article in the Missionary Review of the World, "of the deepening interest in missions is the increasing number of university men that are offering themselves for service. It was long before any such, in the Church of England at least, were willing to work among the heathen; but during the last four years seventy-nine English university men have become missionaries. In former days of coldness, special colleges for training missionaries were wholly indispensable, but the belief is growing that ordained men in the foreign field require at least as good an education as ordained men at home.

Is a little church in Aneityum, one of the New Hebrides Islands, there is the following epitaph, in the native language, to John Geddie, missionary: "When he landed in 1848 , there were no Christians here, and when he left in 1872, there were no heathen." Missions certainly were not a failure there.

Prorissor Drummond says that Japan at the present time is in the unique position of a nation prospecting for a religion, and that in it are missionaries prospecting for converts. He says these include Episcopalians of every degree of height, Presbyterians of every degree of breadth, Methodists of every degree of warmth, and that Roman Catholics are practically out of the race.

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## MAGAZINE NOTES.

## A PARISH MAGAZINE.

Parish magazines are the order of the day. We hear of them being established in many places-in Manitoba and the North-West, in Ontario, in Quebec and in the Maritime Provinces. They have many advantageous features.
ist. A parish magazine, when once established in a parish, brings the whole congregation into an intimate knowledge of all the efforts the Church is making, not only in the parish but elsewhere.
and. It thus enables the recter to appeal confidently to the sympathies of his people in all his undertakings in behalf of the Church of Christ and Christian life.

3rd. It gives useful employment to the young people of the Church, who become interested in the. work of looking after the business management of the magazine, the circulation list, the advertising patronage, etc., etc., and are thereby drawn into other active co-operative work for the Church.
$4^{\text {th. It }}$ provides useful reading at a very low cost for all the members of the congregat: m , and presents it to them in a manner that cannot escape their attention.

In England the parish magazine has been an agent for good of untold power and although we have not made very much use of it yet in Canada, it is rapidly gaining ground as a means of Christian influence, and those clergymen who use it acknowledge it to be one of their best and most efficient helps.

We are of the opinion that our own Canadian Church Magazine and Mission News is more admirably suited for use as a local parish magazine in Canadian parishes than any other pub-
lication available. It is thoroughly Canadian in spirit and tone. It is in full sympathy with the aims and objects of our Canadian church people. It is largely taken up with missionary work, which is the most important branch of Church effort. It is thoroughly loyal to the Church and to all her institutions, and is the only periodical of any kind published in Canada that has an official connection with the Church. It is besides the only illustrated Church paper published in Canada. Its contributors comprise some of the ablest writers of the Church. And finally, it can be had for localizing at a very low price, a price that will enable clergymen to offer an illustrated parish magazine of twentyfour pages to their parishioners at the small cost of about 50 cents a year.

We are glad to be able to say that quite a large number of parishes are already using our pages as the body of their parisi; nagazine. The latest addition to our list $1:$ mes from Ottawa, where several parishes have united and tius are enabled to reduce the expense of their local printing; but even where this cannot be done and each parish has to bear the whole expense of its own enterprise, if the business management be vigorous there is no reason why a good parish magazine, as already described, should not be a success.

## CLUB RATES.

In response to enquiries and suggestions we have determined to adopt the system of club rates. If any one person at a post office will send us from the same post office four subscriptions (whether newor old), and \$4.00, we will extend his own subscription for a year. Or what is the same thing, if five subscribers from any one post office send in their subscriptions together we will give them the magazine at the club rate of eighty cents per annum. In this way, by a little trouble, the price of the magazine can be very considerably reduced.
how to obtain the magazine free of cost.
For some time past we have allowed to clergymen who have sent us the names of three new subscribers to The Canadian Church Magazine and Mission News and $\$ 3.00$ their own subscription for one year free. We have decided to extend this privilege to all our subscribers; and therefore say to our friends, one and all: Send us $\$ 3.00$ and the names of three nezw subscribers, and we will extend your own subscrip. tion free of cost. Who will help us this way ?

## BINDING THE MAGAZINE.

Every subscriber to The Canadian Church Magazine should bind the numbers at the end of the year. The twelve monthly parts make a beautiful volume when bound together. Our publishers will supply a handsome case in fine
on back at fifty cents each, plus five cents for postage. Or they will send the magazine complete for ninety cents, plus ten cents for postage. Our friends should bind their magazines at once, before any of their parts are lost.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The next meeting of the Board of Management of the Society is appointed to be held in London, on Wednesday, April 8, 189 I.

The General Secretary has on hand a number of the little Manual of Missionary Litany Prayers and Hymns, suitable for all Missionary gatherings, which can be procured from him at the rate of \$1.50 a hundred. It is in book form, paper covers, 16 pages.

We are pleased to learn that the Lord Bishop of Montreal has appointed the Rev. G. Osborne Troop, M.A., a member of the Board of Management of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society in the room of the late Rev. Rural Dean Lindsay.

The celebrated Congregationalist, Dr. Joseph Parker, said lately of the Church of England, that it was never doing more work, or securing for itself more golden opinions as a spiritual agency, than it was doing at this moment. It was supreme in all kinds of ability, and was making the life of Nonconformity more and more difficult. He was glad of it, for it was leading his own communion to study the age more deeply and more practically.

Church Bells says with regard to the dealings of the United States with the Indians that there can be no more shameful records in history than they. The wretched adult male Indians may have invited the fate which has destroyed them, but the women and children had not. An indefinite number of these miserable creatures have, nevertheless, been massacred in such appalling circumstances that the details are more ghastly than if they belonged to a combat among the tribes of the Congo. The death-wail of these miserable squaws and papooses rings in the ears of civilization and covers the American nation with lasting ignominy.

## OBITUARY.

The death of the Rev. Rural Dean Lindsay in December last, removed from the Church militant a useful and kind-hearted clergyman. The Mission Board also loses in him a valuable member. We regret also to have to record the
death of Rev. John Gemley, of Simcoe, Ont., and the Venerable Archdeacon Wilson, of Grafton. Rural Dean Gemley was an eloquent preacher of Huron Diocese, and Archdeacon Wilson a much loved clergyman of the Diocese of Toronto.

## INDIAN NOTES.

HE Rev. W. A. Burman sends us the following interesting letter from Rev. J. G. Brick, of Peace River.-"The past spring was very late; our first grain was not sown until May 2nd, which was nearly a month later than the previous year. The summer has been very wet. We have had a rain fall of over nine inches, a most unusual thing in this country, but I am thankful to say that from June 3 rd to the 6th of September we were entirely free from frost. Owing to the drought of last year and the terrible scarcity of food last spring, our supply of seed grain and potatoes was really one-half less than we required. Entire freedom from frosts and the abundance of rain brought crops along very rapidly, the only difficulty was in the harvesting, owing to the continued rains all through the month of September. Our barley and oats lay upon the ground for fully five weeks, and I was almost in despair of being able to save it; however, when hope was almost gone, we were favored with a week of fine hot weather, and our thrashing machine being already set up, we drew our grain in by waggon loads, up to the machine, and rushed it through at the rate of forty bushels per hour. This was a great novelty to our Indians, who have never witnessed thrashing done by any other method than "the flail." When we came to clear up, we found that we had 108 bushels of wheat, 142 bushels of barley and oats. The grain is the finest that I have ever seen, I think the wheat must weigh sixty-five pounds to the bushel. The Steel Grist Mill presented to this Mission by "The Cathedral Sunday school, Montreal," is in running order, so that now we are using bread made from " Peace River Patent Process Flour."

Our root crop was also an excellent one. We have about 750 bushels of potatoes from nine pounds of seed, a variety of Early Rose that I brought in with mefrom Toronto. We had a yield of 354 pounds. Swede turnips must have yielded fully 600 bushels, carrots, from sixty to seventy bushels, and cabbages by the waggon load. After the straits we were in last winter and spring, we are very grateful to the Giver of all good for the abundance with which we have been favoured. One stray article in my creed is-That God has intended that every man shall have bread; and if I should be used as an instrument in pioneer work, in this far North-Western Country to demonstrate that crops can be successfully blue cloth, ornamented sides and gold lettering
raised, so that others may be induced to come in for agricultural purposes and raise bread at a reasonable price for the starving Indians, I shall feel that my work has not been in vain.

Our School Work.-We commence our winter term on Monday next. We have on our roll eighteen names, and we expect a few more later on. We give the children a good warm dinner every day and also clothe them. We hope ere long to see our way open to provide a "Home for Orphans" and the more destitute ones. Mrs. B. has sewing classes for the girls, and the material is supplied to them for making their own garments; the elder girls are daily instructed in cooking.
Our Missionary work proper.-While we have to act as farmer, teacher, doctor, mediator between man and man, etc., we try not to lose sight of the fact that our great work is to preach Christ among them, and I am thankful to be able to say that I am not without hope that the seed sown is taking root in some hearts.

A week ago last Sunday our service was so crowded that some had to remain outside; a little time ago an old Indian man came to me and said, "I have been going to the priests'Romanists' since I was so high "-holding his hand about three feet from the ground; "and I am no better to-day than I was then." I tried to direct his attention to the Great Spirit Priest, who alone could make him a better man.
In carrying on this work we need the sympathy and help of our friends outside.

During the past summer our good Bishop wrote me, expressing a strong desire that the Canadian Charches would assume the responsibility of the Mission and.relieve him of the $\$ 730$ stipend that I have hitherto received from the C.M.S. I replied to his letter at once, offering to surrender the stipend and trust to friends in the East to contribute sufficient to enable me to carry on the work. If for the future 1 cannot get a regular stipend, I do hope I shall get enough to enable me to pay my "hired help" and get in the necessary supplies of those articles which we are compelled to purchase; even with an abundance of farm products it is pretty hard to be in the condition that we are in just nowowing to the impossibility of getting our supplies through until snow comes, viz:-to be without tea, sugar, candles, etc.

I am making an appeal this winter to Sunday schools in the older provinces, to render me the necessary help for three years, in the hope that by that time we can entirely support ourselves. It will be a very great grief to me, after all the labor and anxiety of the past two years, to have to abandon the work through the lack of a few hundred dollars per year, necessary to meet the running expenses of this important Mission."

In our next issue we hope to give a full account of an important conference on Missions, held in

Winnipeg during January, at which various parts of Rupert's Land will be represented by Indian missionar:es.

Mr. Burman recently visited the "Sioux Mission " in. Rupert's Land Diocese, of which an account appeared in our February number. The Mission is now in charge of Mr. G. H. Hartland, who was one of the little band dismissed for service, at the interesting meeting held in Winnipeg two months ago.

The outlook of the Mission is encouraging. The school and services are well attended, and the people seem to appreciate Mr. Hartland's kindness to them. His great difficulty is ignorance of the language, which will take some time to acquire. The service on the occasion of my visit was well attended, the little Church being nearly full, and it was very encouraging to note the earnestness with which the people listened to the "old, old story." Collections at services on behalf of the Indian school resulted in $\$ 5.70$.

These people are temporally doing, on the whole, very well. This year they had 5,000 bushels of wheat, 390 bushels of oats, 145 bushels of corn, 840 bushels of petatoes. They have during the last two or three years bought five self-binders, seven mowers and rakes, twelve wagons and fifteen cook stoves. They have also, under government control 130 head of cattle. In spite of all this progress, however, there are many heathen, and there is much work to do.

The Rupert's Land school continues to progress. The Principal desires to thank those kind friends whose presents enabled him to give something to each child at Christmas. He had a very successful entertainment on Christmas Eve, when two trees gave great delight to the children. The carpenters' and printers' shops are now in full operation, and our boys are all very busy.

## THE CANADIAN CHURCH AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Annual Report of the Society for 1891 shews the contributions to Foreign Missions by dioceses to be as follows:-

| Toronto. | S4.782 68 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Quebec | 2,222 47 |
| Montreal | 1,712 38 |
| Huron | 1,672 59 |
| Ontaric | 1,326 33 |
| Niagara. | 1,175 87 |
| Nova Scotia | 1.15312 |
| Fredericton | 1,021 85 |
| Algoma | 4848 |
| Sundries | 7463 |
|  | \$15,190 40 |
| Last year's statement. | 13,230 65 |
| Increase over last year. | \$1,959 75 |

Five dioceses, viz., Toronto, Montreal, Niagara, Nova Scotia and Fredericton contributed
more than they did the previous year, Toronto's increase being $\$ \mathrm{r}, 298.88$. The other's fell below their last year's amount.

The financial history of the Society's work for Foreign Missions since its establishment in 1883, will be seen by the following table, shewing also the increase each year over the year pre-v.ous:-

| 1884 | \$2,582 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1885 | 2,932 | 80, increase | \$350 80 |
| 1886 | 2,984 | 75. | 5195 |
| 1887 | 10,053 | 01, | 7.06826 |
| 1888 | 12,417 | 32, | $2.364{ }^{18}$ |
| 1889 | 13.230 | 65 | 81333 |
| 1890 | 15,190 | 40. | 1,959 75 |

It will be seen that the Church seemed to awake somewhat to the importance of Foreign Missions in 1887, when it increased its contributions over seven thousand dollars, and each year, it is gratifying to observe, there has been an increase till the sum of $\$ 15,190.40$ has been reached.

The amounts from $\$ 20$ upwards contributed by the different congregations are as follows:diocese of quebec.



## CANADIAN MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN.

BY REV. C. L. INGLES, TORONTO.

APAN seems to be a favorite field for Canadian missionaries, and rightly so, too, for does not the Empire of the Sun, as it is called, lie nearest of all heathen countries to our fair Dominion? We are unable to say who was the first son of Canada to offer himself for Foreign Mission work. The Rev. J. G. Waller bears the distinction of being the first missionary sent out by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of our Canadian Church, but three Canadians have preceded him in that portion of the field to which the Society has sent him. Two of these three are mentioned in the Society's annual report for 1890 . We desire now to mention something of the work of the one of these three who is not alluded to by the Society, viz: the Venerable A. C. Shaw, M.A., Archdeacon of Japan. Archdeacon Shaw was born in Toronto,
receiving his University training at the University of Trinity College in that city, afterwards taking his theological course in the Theological school affiliated with the University, under the direction of the late Venerable Archdeacon Whitaker, M.A., Provost of Trinity College. In 1373 Mr . Shaw was accepted as a missionary by the Society for the propagation of the Gospel, and was sent to Japan as one of the earliest missionaries to that country. Thus, ten years before the birth of the Canadian Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, Mr. Shaw, a Canadian, was working as one of the S. P. G. missionaries in Japan. We have not any data before us of Mr. Shaw's work previous to his furlough, during which he visited his native city, which terminated in 1884 . On his return to Japan from that furlough, he is said to have noticed the marked change in the attitude towards Christianity which was everywhere apparent, and the possible "danger of Christianity becoming a popular religion."

In this year Mr. Shaw was joined in his work at Tokio by the Rev. Arthur Lloyd, M.A., Fellow and Dean of Peterhouse, Cambridge, who resigned the living of Norton, Suffolk, in order to give himself to Missionary work. Mr. Lloyd is now amongst us as F rofessor of Classics in the University of Trinity College, and his work here will be of great service in stimulating the missionary zeal of the students who come in contact with him. Mr. Shaw took a large share in the pastoral and evangelistic work in Tokio, while the training of native agents there has been carried on entirely by him. The work among the women of Japan in connection with St. Hilda's Mission, though carried on by ladies, has been greatly aided by Mr. Shaw's kind, practical sympathy. It would indeed be impossible for us to say how far Mr. Shaw has been instrumental in building up a Japanese church, the principle upon which he has always worked is the necessity for a purely Japanese clergy for Japan, and his success in this direction is evidenced by the brief but very happy report of his work given in an extract from a letter of his bearing date January 6,1890 , in which he writes as follows:-
"We have had a very happy Christmas. Imai was advanced to the priesthood, and three others were ordained to the diaconate, allS.P.G. men. Yesterday the Holy Communion was celebrated in St. Andrew's by the native priest, assisted by a native deacon, for the first time in the history of the Japanese church. Both of these clergy have been especially trained by me, and are splendid men in every way."

In speaking of the advancement of Imai to the diaconate in a previous report, Mr. Shaw had said of him, "Mr. Imai has been in a very special sense my own son in the faith, I having taken him while still quite young and brought him up in my own family. As to his character
and fitness tor the holy work to which the has been called, I need do no more than quote the Bishop's words-." He is, if I do not misjudge him, one of the rarer class of men on whose spirit 'the print of heaven' is deep-lined and clear." All too briefly and inadequately does this give some idea of the work done by this pioneer missionary in Japan, the Venerable A. C. Shaw, M.A., whose useful work to the Church was recognized by Bishop Bickersteth, who, in 1888, made him his Archdeacon, and of whom he spoke in a previous report as an "experienced and patient worker." More than ten years was it before this faithful son of the Canadian Church was followed by another Canadian in the Mission fields of Japan. Had the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society been in existence, Mr. Shaw would no doubt liave been one of itsmissionaries. Our Society did not then exist; Mr. Shaw, therefore, did the only thing he could do to carry out his strong desire to work in the Foreign field, viz: he offered himself to the S.P.G., and was sent to Japan. Missionaries of his stamp do not look for, do not desire the praise of men. May the missionary of whose work we have ventured to speak receive that full and everlasting reward which will be granted to all those who "love the appearing of our Blessed Lord," and may the great Head of the Church pour out upon us, the Church in Canada, more of His life and power that now that we have a Missionary Society of our own, both men and money may be provided to enable it to take its part in carrying out our Lord's command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

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"The love of Christ constraineth us."-2 Cor .v. 14 .

## DORCAS WORK AND WORKERS.

BY MRS. MACLEOD MOORE, PRESCOTT, ONT,
$66{ }^{3}$ 泷馬 (HILE we have time let us do good unto all men, especially unto them that are of the the household of faith." Taking these words as the keynote of our ideas, it becomes perfectly plain to us when, and for whom, we are to work, nowo being the accepted time, the household of faith, or in other words the ambassadors of Christ, being the appointed objects of our consecrated labor, it then only remains for us to consider carefully how our chosen tasks are to be performed, "not with eye-service, as men pleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God."

The subject of Missionary Dorcas Work is so extensive as well as many-sided that but a few of its most salient points can at present be considered, and taking them more or less consecu-
tively, let us first briefly refer to its' antiquity and importance. Although a few lines from the graphic pen of the sacred historian tell all that we know of the loved and honored woman full of gocd works, whose name has come down to us through all the crowded centuries that have intervened as a very familiar synonym for the special labor now under review, yet, that this is the fact, in itself so illustrates the long established and solid basis upon which out work is founded, that we need not multiply words to prove it.

Our Dorcas work, although the same in kind, perhaps, differs somewhat in degree, and embraces, or can he made to do so, every form of material help whict it is possible to send to a Mission, and this is one of the features of the work which requires very careful handling. If we do really believe that in giving to the ministers of Christ we give to Him, then our hands will overflow with gifts and we shall be able to realize its being more blessed to give than to receive; but the fitness of things must not be forgotten; and while feeling ready to give and glad to distribute, due regard should be had to special surroundings, the comfort and convenience of those to whom it is our privilege to minister being the fundamental principle, while thought should be given to the probable usefulness of everything sent. And it is rere that a Dorcas Secretary, whose duty it is to know sumething at least of each Mission supplied, can so profitably influence the action of the several auxiliaries, and aid in systematizing as well as equalizing the distribution of a very wide range of articles. No doubt a great deal has already been accomplished in this direction, as the grateful and fervent utterances of so many missionaries and their wives assure us, but if our eyes were opened and we could see as in a vision, the cheer and comfort which, though not entered upon any list, still forms important items in every box packed by the Auxiliary, then, indeed, the pulse of this movement would throb from ocean to ocean, and the wilderness, if not made to blossom like the rose, would be as it were irradiated by loving care and sympathy, so laboring that the stern discipline of a missionary's life may be softened by the ¿inder efforts put forth from afar for his family and himself. Another important element in satisfactory Dorcas work is justice, impelling an impartial allotment of the good things. And here, again, the Dorcas Secretary can do good service. We hear of one missionary beingloaded with gifts while his brother in Christ a few miles off receives perhaps nothing whatever. Such uneven apportioning cannot occur when the appointed officer is asked for counsel and information.

Missionary Dorcas work contains in itself nearly all the broad general principles which it is desired should underlie and govern the labors of our Associatinn. It is helpful, practical, inter-
esting in a marked degree, as witness the many who attend a working party, but are always unavoidably absent from a business meeting. It teaches much of the spirit of self sacrifice, and rightly considered, is almost an education in our duty, as set forth in the precept, "do unto others as you would they should do unto you." Missionary intelligence is necessarily diffused, harmonized effort is essential to a satisfactory result, and speaking generally, it will be admitted that zeal is not lacking.

Dorcas work also escapes the condemnation of those who corcending that woman's true and only sphere is home take exception to the more public functions of the Auxiliaries, to theis "journeyings oft" and other features. To all who are not in touch with this aspect of our work we commend labors more abundant in the plain needlework and simple knitting which in various shapes form the staple of our contributions in this department, as they can be, and often are executed, when comfortably seated at the home fireside, involving no (even seeming) neglect of family duties or break in the domestic circle.

The earnest and valuable Dorcas work:er need not be rich, influential, nor even "competently learned" as we re id was once required of organized workers, this iving a phase of Auxiliary work most eminently adapted to all sorts and conditions of women, but each one must commit her way unto the Lord, and in her thoughts, words and works seek His honour and glory, not her own. She should possess the liberal heart that deviseth liberal things, and if of silver and gold she has none, she can yet bring gifts of great value, love, faith, patience, self denial and other fruits of the Spirit which will increase an hundredfold.

It is a helpful and comfortable thought that the aged or invalid woman who, with oftimes slow and painful toil, prepares her dole of warm knitted socks and mittens, or the little girl sewing with patient fingers a child's garment, or perhaps a patch-work quilt, is truly a Dorcas worker, and useful ally as well as an unconscious Home Missionary. The margin of this work is so wide, its needs so multiform that every woman in the land not absolutely disabled can if she chooses be a sharer in its privileges and blessings. Those who hold back are foregoing an immense deal of pleasure and interest even in the present. Surely none would refuse a helping hand if once convinced that every appeal, whether public or private, is made to her individuality. True, there is in our human nature such an element of defiance that when urged to any special course not exactly prompted by our own views, our thoughts almost unconsciously arrange themselves in an attitude of opposition, and we say inwardly that we have heard all that before, so it is no wonder we leave undone the things we should do; but the Mis-
sionary Dorcas work is a thing of th- past, present and future, and although the present only is ours, yet we may so labor as to redeem the past, and give good hope for the future, if we are permitted to fulfil it. A mistaken view of this department of Auxiliary work seems to prevail to some extent, and possibly for this reason we lose some valuable help. It has heen said that with due respect to the high cffice of ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God we should not humiliate them by offering to supply their personal wants. It was remarked to the writer that it seemed like pauperizing the clergy. No such unworthy sentiment should find place in any mind. It has been ordained that those who are taught should minister to those who teach in all good things. Besides, we must bear in mind that we can thus strengthen the hands and enlarge the usefulness of missionaries whose hearts ache for the sick poor in their midst, while enduring all manner of privation themselves without a murmur. In speaking of the people let it not be thought that in succoring the needy, material benefit alone will result. No less an authority than the missionary Bishop of Algoma has told us that the warm clothing and other comforts dispensed through the instrumentality of the Woman's Auxiliaries have been the means of not only bringing Church people together, but of increasing their interest in, and strengthening their attachment to, the $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ irch itself. Those members so recognize their oneness in $\mathrm{C}^{1}$ ist as to take thought in so many ways for those iellow subjects of the Great King, whom they are probably destined never to see in the flesh. If we require further incentive, is it not here?
The system of Dorcas work, as we now practice it, must not be regarded as a fixed science, on the contrary it is and should be progressive, and to that end we must gather up our energies, working while it is called to-day.

It may be that to those now addressed words of exhortation are not needed, but as some faint echo may reach those who as yet are not of us, let us close with the injunction," to do good and to distribute, forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."

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