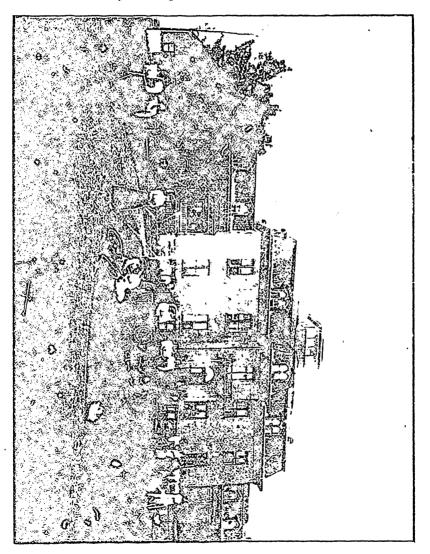


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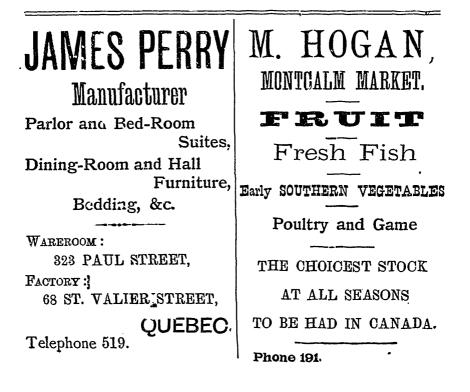
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April 3.-Travel to Tuesday. Quebec.

Thursday, April 5.-Preside at Meeting of Diocesan Board, 4 p.m.

Friday, April 6. - Give an Illustrated Address on the Events of the Sacred Passion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ at the Cathedral Church Hall, at 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 7.---Confirmation at S. Peter's Church, Quebec, 8 p.m.

Palm Sunday, April 8.-Confirmation 10.30 a.m. Confirmation, St. Levis. Matthew's Church, Quebec, 3.30 p.m. Confirmation, Trinity Church, Quebec, 7 p.m.

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Tuesday in Holy Week.—Confirmation and Address, Cathedral, 8 p.m.

Wednesday in Holy Week.-Address, Cathedral, 8 p.m.

ay, April 15.-Celebrate the Holy Communion, Cathedral, 11 a.m., and Preach at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 17 .- Preside at Meeting of Central Board, 4 p.m.

Sunday, April 22.—Celebrate the Holy Communion, Cathedral, 8 a.m. Preach 11 a.m.

Tursday, April 24.-Travel to Montreal.

Wednesday, April 25.-(S. Mark Evang.) Attend Meeting of the D. and F. M. Board.

Thursday, April 26.-Lecture at S. John's Hall, Montreal, on the Spiritual Expansion of the British Empire.

Friday, April 27.-Return to Quebec. Saturday, April 28.-Trauel to Grande Mere.

Sunday, April 29.-Hold Ordination of a Deacon at Grande Mere.

Monday, April 30.-Return to Quebec.

our PICTURES.

This year, instead of referring specially to the Crucifixion and Resurrection. which we once more commemorate on Good Friday and Easter Day, we have chosen two subjects, which are closely related to this Holv Time, viz., The Triumphal Entry into Jerualém on Palm Sunday, and our Saviour

our religion to be very shallow and transient : that we may be merely carried away by our emotions at some time of religious excitement, and st the very next opportunity may crucify our Lord and Master by our sins.

And then our second picture of the Risen Christ at Emmaus teaches, or illustrates to us, how we may receive the greatest help and comfort in our times of despondency and trial, viz. :



The Triumphal Entry.

making Himself known to two of His in the Breaking of the Bread, when Disciples at Emmaus, after the Resurrection, in the Breaking of the Bread

As we look at the picture of the Triumphal Entry and remember that this same crowd, which was so ready to honor and welcome the Saviour on Palm Sunday, was within five days shouting "Crucify Him, Crucify Him," we are reminded that it is possible for

Jesus Christ reveals His Presence to us and strengthens us for His service. body, soul and spirit.

We most earnestly trust that all our Communicants will realize their sacred obligation to partake of the Easter Communion, and we pray that God may grant unto all His richest blessings in that Holy Feast.

PATRIOTIC ADDRESS

Delivered at Montreal to the Members Strathcona Horse by ₩. of the Peterson, Esg., L.L.D., Principal of McGill University, on the Day Afof Their Departure for South rica.

"Gentlemen of the Strathcona Horse, I tell you, on the eve of your departure, that to know Lord Strathcona is in itself a liberal education. His aclin regard to this matter has the which to day. When that seven the lenged the admiration not only of the reward to-day. When that seven to the world that it has been effected, one more proof will before us, a century which we hope is not the ascendancy of one race over and trust will see a large expansion another that lies nearest to the Britgiven to the idea and sentiment Imperial unity, Lord Strathcona's ample folds of the British flag. Great name will go down to history as one Britain has never acted upon the Ro-of the master builders of the Empire. man maxim, that empire must be re-Canadians had already given proof in tained by the same forceful methods the expedition of the Nile, of their by which it was acquired; and the readiness to serve the common cause, reward of that she is reaping to-day (hear, hear) but that, gentlemen, was in the loyal affection and willing and prelude of the grand but the faint Imperial chorus that was soon to swell forth. No more dramatic scenes have ever been enacted in history than the landing on South African shores of the various children of the Grey Mother of Nations. "Lo," she says :

"Lo, how they come to me !

Ah, how they turn to me !

East and South my children scatter. North and West, the world they wander,

Yet they come back to me come with their brave hearts beating,

Longing to die for me."

Gentlemen, the great war, which in the view of certain prophets of evil omen, was to strain the bonds of Empire to the breaking point, has proved, instead, the most potent instrument of Imperial federation. Gentlemen, the fear has been expressed in the interest of your fighting qualities, that by the time you get to South Africa, the war may be well-nigh ended. We shall welcome peace, whenever it comes, but I think our judg-ment of the character of our enemies mon duties, is greatly at fault, if we do not see sacrifice and like suffering. That they are likely, even after the inevit-they are likely, even after the inevit-able surrender of their capital, to carry on a warfare behind the fortresses at Pretoria, with which I know no men more fitted to cope than the men "Truly ye come of THE BLOOD !

of Strathcona's Horse. And it may be, in any case, an army of occupation will be required while the settlement of the country is going on.

One and all of you, starting from the heart of this province of Quebec, I think you can tell the dwellers in the Transvaal they have nothing to fear from such a settlement. The history of this province is proof of it. The independence she enjoys, limited only by the obligations of Confederation and loyalty to the throne, attests that British sympathy with the aspirations of self-governing communities, for lies have been given to the world that it of ish heart, but equal rights for all in the enthusiastic co-operation of the new nations within the Empire, imbued with the pride for liberty which she has been successful in inspiring in all the nations under her sway. Gentlemen, in the name of all who strained their eves to see your martial forms to-dav-men, women, and children-I wish you God-speed. Go forth to play your part in the great Imperial drama that is being enacted on the plains of South Africa ' We shall follow your career with affectionate interest. Mingle your ranks with those of the men from the Old Country, with the con-tingents from Cape Colony and Natal, and from New Zealand and other parts of the great Australian continent. Never in the history of the world could such a scene have been witnessed before, and it would be altogether impossible to-day for any other country to duplicate it.

The thought of it will strengthen and consolidate the growing sentiment of Imperial unity,-the feeling of I think our judg- fellowship with the old land in comjoint aspirations, like is

Flesh of the flesh that I bred, bone of the bone that I bare, Stark as your sons shall be-stern as your fathers were." And then there comes the promise * * "So long as THE BLOOD endures, I shall know that your good is mine; ye shall feel that my strength is yours.	Him wh His life the Cap —Amer Cana
In u? day of Armageddon, at the last great fight of all, That OUR HOUSE stand together, and the pillars do not fall."	I beg t additions Canadian since our Bishop's (
A Prayer that is being used by our	noxv
Soldiers in South Africa.	Drummor Fitch Bay George
One of the first acts of General Lord Roberts after his arrival in Cape Town	Framptor Gaspe Ba
was to cause to be sent to all Command- ing Officers for distribution to all ranks the following Prayer by Dr. Alexander,	Gaspé s Kingsey Dennis
Archbishop of Armagh, Primate of Ire- land. The Prayer is itself a very beautiful and suitable one, and the thought of our	Malbaie. Corner Way's Mi
Commander in Chief in South Africa in causing its distribution is a striking in-	
stance of a desire to carry out the difficult	Amount

R W2 in $^{\mathrm{th}}$ А la ar Co Ca st work committed to his charge, with the assistance of Him, Who alone giveth victory, and Who slways doeth what is really wisest and best :

THE PRAYER.

Almighty Father, I have often sinned against Thee, O wash me in the precious blood of the Lamb of God. Fill me with Thy Holy Spirit, that I may lead a new life. Spare me to see again those whom I love at home, or fit me for Thy presence in peace.

Strengthen us to quit ourselves |Bench : like men in our right and great Keep us faithful unto cause. death, calm in danger, patient in suffering, merciful as well as brave, true to our Queen, our country, and our colours.

If it be Thy will, enable us to win victory for England, but above all grant us the better victory over temptation and sin, over life and death, that we may be more than conquerors through ties are fresh responsibilities, and fresh

ho loved us and laid down for us, Jesus our Saviour, otain of the Army of God.

adian Patriotic Fund.

to acknowledge the following al ccllections in behalf of the n Patriotic Fund, received e last issue :-

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(Signed). E. A. DUNN,	
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A CALL TO UNITED PRAYER.

In accorance with their resolution, passed at Lambeth on November 14th, the Bishops in England have issued the following general letter, entitled, "A Call to United Prayer," and signed by of the Episcopal all the members

DEARLY BELOVED IN CHRIST.--- We feel that the circumstances and events of time bring with them the present a special call to prayer.

This year is the closing year of а century marked by wonderful advances in science, invention, and knowledge of world's needs. These advances the have put us in possession of powers and opportunities of doing good, which vouchsafed to our fathers. were not political and civic Changed conditions have opened to the Church countless avenues for social and missionary entenprise. Such enlarged opportuni-

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responsibilities are, to all devout souls, a call to prayer.

work has made marked Missionary advance during the past 100 years, but still two-thirds of the human race lie outside the allegiance of Christ. The great work which yet remains .o be done is another call to prayer.

The spirit of materialism which has the invaded national and social life. consequent relaxation of the sense of personal responsibility, the power and faithful of our own communion, and influence of sins which lower national to all brethren in Christ, who may character, such as intemperance, gam-bling, and self-indulgence, and the prayers with ours reminding both bling, and self-indulgence, thoughtless and indolent acquiescence in grave, public evils-these things which sadly contrast with the blessings and advantages given to us of God, loudly call us to prayer.

Moreover, we cannot disguise from ourselves that the greatest hindrances to the advance of the Kingdom of Christ among men are to be found in bosom of Christendom itself, the Next to the inconsistent lives and irreligious spirit of many professing 1. SUGGESTED Christians, perhaps the chief hindrance is to be found in the unhappy divisions of the Church of Christ. The divisions of Christendom, the present troubles in our own communion, and, more grievous still, the acrimonious temper which too often characterizes religious controversy, are deplorable impediments to the progress of the Gospel. All these hindrances are again a call to Praver.

In addition to these considerations, which it had been previously in our mind to bring before you, the conflict in which our country is now engaged, the sorrows and anxieties that accompany the conflict, and the many grave national and human interests involved, constitute a specially solemn call to prayer.

Moved by the remembrance. of these things, we feel constrained to invite to united prayer all who love the name of Christ. We venture with all affectionate respect to suggest that this closing year of the century should be consecrated to special praver for the outpouring of the spirit of love, for zeal, and brotherliness, for the removal of all that hinders godly union and for a fuller realization concord, ı٦ practice of the spirit of Christ, and for a greater readiness among His followers to do what he would have them do.

We suggest further that the first Sunday in each month of the year and

the Monday following should be set apart for special and recurrent supplications. We would add an earnest request, the fitness of which will be -vident, that during such a year of self-communing and prayer, controver-sial questions should be as far as possible kept in the background, and that all warfare in bitter words should be put away, that so we may promote the spirit needful for united praver.

We commend this invitation to the prayers with ours, reminding both ourselves and them of the many and clear promises which encourage us to seek thus in prayer the unfailing and all-sufficient aid of God, who is the Saviour of all men, and specially of those who believe.

The following subjects for prayer are moreover suggested in a separate paper signed by the two Archbishops :-

SUBJECTS FOR PRAYER.

1. General—

- ¹. For the spirit of prayer.
- 2. For recognition of our shortcomings and sins-e.g., forgetfulness of God, materialism. luxurious living, intemperance, impurity, gambling,
- 3. For the realization of the working of the Divine Spirit.
- 4. For the grateful sense of Goa's goodness to nation. Church and individual.
- 5. For wisdom to make use of fresh opportunities.
- 2. Divisions of Christendom-
 - 1. For the spirit of brotherly love.
 - 2. For a simple love of truth.
 - 3. For a recognition of diversities of gifts.
 - 4. For grace in the use of gifts.

3. Spiritual Character-

- 1. For more Christlike lives.
- 2 For the realization of responsibility and courage to meet and to bear it—e.g., in use of wealth, righteous testimony, abilities, &c.
- 4. Missionary-

1. For the heathen world.

- 2. For the rulers of heathen lands.
- 3. For missionary workers.
- 4. For those who administer the affairs of missionary societies and agencies.
- 5. For the consistent lives of Christians in heathen lands.
- 5. The War-
 - 1. The gifts of wisdom and prudence to our leaders.
 - rowing and hereaved.
 - For our soldiers and representa-tives and colonists—that they may maintain high character and hon-3 ourable traditions.
 - 4. For the combatants-that no animosities may destroy mutual respect.
 - 5. For the native races—that the cause of Christian missions and civilization may be advanced.
 - 6 For a righteous and lasting peace.

(It is suggested that whatever selecions from the above subjects may be made at different times of intercession, due prominence should be given to-

- (a) Confession of sin in the matters which call for prayer.
- (b) Thanksgiving for mercies already received.)

There are obviously many ways - **i**.ı which the suggestions above made for united prayer may be carried into effect, and there is great advantage in such variety and flexibility of devotional use.

In addition to specially prepared or adapted Services of Intercession, where such may be legitimately used, a distinctive character may on particular occasions be rea lilv given to our existand especially to ing services. the l Litany, by long pauses after particular petitions and by longer intervals for at fitting points in the silent prayer service. When the Litany is used, Collects, if duly authorized, may also he added.

Where such methods are employed they will naturally be explained briefly to the congregation at the beginning of the service.

Bicentenary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

The S.P.G. is now able to outline the plans for the keeping of its Bi-centenary. The celebration will extend over the twelve months beginning on June 16th, 1900, which is the 199th anniversary of the day on which a royal charter cas granted to the society by King William III. The Committee suggest that a sum not less £250,000 should be raised in •han connection with the bi-centenary, and that the fund should remain open until December 31st, 1901. All of our dioceses in eastern Canada Lave received liberal grants from the S.P.G. To no one human source does the Church in Canada owe so much. What shall we contribute towards the fund above referred to ? Whatever that contribution be, it will show the high-water mark of Canadian Churchmen's gratitude

~^· Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

In our account in our February issue of the collections made last year for the S. P. C.K. by the Rev. H. Gomery, the Diocese of Ottawa appears as only having contributed \$37.63, i. c. by far the smallest amount of all the seven Dioceses visited. We find however that the Diocese of Ottawa sent direct to the Society as the result of a Diocesan Sunday's collection a further sum of \$194. Consequently this Diocese, instead of standing last should stay d first as having raised for the S. P. C. K. during the year \$231.63, and thus the receipts of the Society from our Ecclesiastical Province were altogether \$1018.51. This is far from being what it ought to be, considering all that the S. P. C. K. so constantly has done and is doing for us; but it is at any rate something, and we must hope for better things as time goes on.

CHERCH SOCIETY.

CENTRAL BOARD.

A stated meeting of the Central Board was held March 20th, the Lord in the chair. The Bishop Secretary These suggestions may be found of made a report as to deposits made in use in private and in home as well the Society's safe by the Treasurer as in public worship.

mitted a report as to investments paid in, and made during the past month. A letter was received from Col. G. E. Allen Jones gratefully acknowledging the Society's resolution of condolence passed at last meeting. A communica-tion was received from the Secretary of the C. and C. Church Society kind-minimized in that methods and secretary and the secretary secreta ly intimating that, notwithstanding a shrinkage in their receipts, their grant to Quebec in aid of poor schools and work on the Labrador, would not be diminished this year. The Lord Bishop undertook to express to the English Societies the thanks of the Diocese. On report of the Secretary, the Board authorized their Treasurer to pay \$46.-24 to account of Church Depository. to cover costs of free grants of Prayer Books, Catechisms and Tracts, including 200 Prayer Books and Hymn Books presented by the Depository for use of the first Canadian contingent to South Africa in 1899. The Treasurer having reported that very few of the Quinquagesima offerings in aid of the Generall'und had been sent in to him, the Board instructed their Secretary to ascertain from the Treasurer of the St. Francis District what remittances had been received by him in this be-half, and on receipt of this informa-tion to write to all Parishes and Missions in arrear, requesting that the special offering called for he sent to the Treasurer without delay, and pressing the hope that if no such offering was made in accordance with the Society's rule, that one he made and forwarded with as little delay as possible.

and separate donations and subscrip-tions in behalf of the Robert Hamil-ton Memorial, and in block sums, the that it was he who was instrumental amounts covered by subscription lists in obtaining the Profestant Mariage so far received, and in an a ticle head- Licence Fund, which was lying in the ing such acknowledgements to give Provincial Government's general fund, the promise that all subscription lists for the purposes of Superior Educa-now in hand with others expected tion, and with this particular object would be published in detail in the (as letters written at the time distinct-next annual report. (2) The Secretary IV show) of enabling the Protestant received further instructions to print. Committee of the Board of Public no Clerical report of Missionary work Instruction to make sufficient grants which was not received in time to the the tructure of the sufficient grants which was be inserted in its proper place in the hy a recent enactment, the Protestant Annual Journal. (3) The Secretary Committee has been enabled to divert was directed to make the heading of the whole or any part of the Marriage the List of "Legacies" as published in Licence Fund from the purposes of Report read "Gifts and Legacies held Superior to those of Elementary Edu-

by the Church Society," and (4) to make the heading of the List of Deceased Life-Members, which now reads "Contributors of \$50 and upwards deceased," read "Life-Members Deceased" This alteration was authorized by way of guarding against a misconstruction, liable under the old heading. The sum of \$50 which qualifies for life membership in no respect shows the amount git in to the Society by many whose names precede it. The gifts of some amounted to thousands of dollars innually.



Memorials of the Late Hon. George Irvine.

We are glad to hear that two separ-ate memorials are to be erected in order to keep in mind the late Judge Irvine and the eminent services, which is his day by his talents, he rendered to our Diocese.

To the Honorable George Irvine we owe to a great extent our Diocesan Canons, and there was a day when he was the very life of our Synods, and it was to a great extent due to his great and beneficent influence that the Congregation of S.t. Matthew's Church. Quebec, made such a grand stand in declining to sell the patronage of the Living for a certain amount of enoffered by private patrons, ex- thus leaving the dowment Rectors of St. Matthew's to be appointed by the Bishop, and enabling this parish to become a leading example of Church life.

For a few moreover, years, Mr. Chancellor of Bishop's Lennoxville, and although Irvine was In response to several enquiries made by the Secretary, he received instruc-tions (1) to acknowledge in the Annual Report of the Society all individual matters as he did in those pertaining not received in time to to the Universities. It is true that.

cation and no doubt it is absolutely w. Balfour, of whom the former is to be at Bishopsthorpe, Quebec, for some mont, while it may seem to be best and fairest, that the Marriage Licence dained in April at Grande Mere to as-Fund, together with further sums, should be spent in assisting our Ele-mentary Schools, yet it will be found that the late Judge Irvine and the eminent educationaliste were right in providing assistance for the Universities, and that unless this assistance continues to be provided, the education of the province will suffer a very heavy blow.

We are glad, therefore, as we have already said, that two separate memorials are to be crected in connection with Mr. Irvine's great name and distinguished talents, the first to con-sist of a beautiful Painted Window to be erected by his Quebec friends and by the Congregation at the Church where he was wont to worship, i.e., St. Matthew's. Quebec, and the other, which is to take the form of a handsome Brass to be erected by members We were represented by Messrs, C. W. University and other friends of the among the Memorials of its Chancel- themselves to attack Capital Put' lors in Bishop's College Chapel, Lennox-ment ; their opponents being Messrs. ville. The Treasurer of the St. A. A. Ireland and C. Carruthers. Both Matthew's Memorial is R. Campbell, parties acquitted themselves very well, Ess., and the Treasurer of the Bishop's but the victory lay with our visitors. College Memorial is the Vice-President We were much pleased to receive them of the University, the Lord Bishop of here, and only hope that they enjoyed Quebec. Both Treasurers will be very their visit as much as we did. glad to receive donations towards We also hope that this debate may these respective Memorial Funds. Such be the first of others to come, and so eminent services as were rendered by Mr. Irvine should not and will not be allowed to pass into oblivion.

Bishop's University, Lennoxville.

(From Our Our Correspondent.)

The last month has naturally somewhat uneventful. Out of continuous snow and frost have been the order of the day, but they seem up a good game against their opto show signs of going, so that we not expect the water and the mud be-fore very long. For us the term is passing very quickly and examinations are near at hand, followed compara-tively soon by the Bayter helidarm.

their final examinations and for Or- as occurred near here a few days ago, dination. We are sorry to say that at twenty-five cars or more off the rails.

Easter we shall lose our two senior men, Messrs. C. W. Mitchell and C. W. Balfour, of whom the former is to

The Headmaster and the Bursar paid a most successful visit to Montreal last month, collecting over \$1,050 ; while money has been also received from friends and well-wishers in Ha⁺ley, Kingsey and several other places. other places. After more than one delay, three elected delegates of the students are just about to begin 'canvassing' Sherbrooke let us hope with good results.

On March 8th, a most successful ioint debate (on the subject of Capital Punishment) was held here between representatives of our College Debating Society and those of the Montreal Diocesan College Literary Society. Mitchell and E. S. Krans, who set help to form a closer bond of union between the two Church Colleges of this province.

In the way of athletics there have been a number of exciting hockey matches this season. The College came out second in the Eastern Township been League, senior series. The School was doors less successful ; but more than once, been though defeated, they managed to put

are near at hand, tollowed compara-tively soon by the Easter holidays. In connection with the Church, the have to look forward to some little students have nerhaps been rather less engaged in mission work this term walking," but even this pastime has than usual. This is owing to the fact its attractions when the G.T.R. pro-that some of them are preparing for vides us with the sight of such wrecks there find communications and for the sector of the sight of such wrecks

EASTER OFFERINGS.

THE

BISHOP OF QUEBEC

DESIRES ONCE MORE TO DRAW THE

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OF RECOGNIZING THE

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OF THEIR

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BY MAKING A

GENEROUS OFFERING

AS A PRESENT TO THEIR PASTOR, AT CHURCH ON

EASTER DAY.

"He that soweth little shall reap little, He that soweth plenteously shall reap also plenteously."

N. B.—Church-Wardens should take this leaf from their GAZETTE and put it up before Palm Sunday at the Church Doors, so that the whole congregation may read it. They should also try and induce those who are absent from Church on Easter Day to do their part.

A LITTLE LONGER.

"There are, who love upon their knees To linger, when their prayers are said,

And lengthen out their Litanies,"-

A little longer ! I mean upon your knees at the close of every service of public worship. That beautiful reverent custom of the Church must not be allowed to degenerate into a cold formality. It is not because it is a custom, but lxcause it is reverent and dutiful, that as soon as we reach our places in Church we knowl for a silent prayer. Do not let it he too short. Make it real and earnest. And to help you in that, follow Scriptural advice, and "take with you words," (Hosea xiv, 2). Know beforehand just what you are going to ask. For example : "Lord, I have loved the halitation of Thy House, and the place where Thine honor dwelleth. Be with me, 1 besetch Thee, in this service of praise and Prayer. H(ar, graciously, the Prayers of Thy people. Confirm with Thy power the acts and words of Thy Winisters. Let the words of my of my mouth and the meditation heart be always acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and mv

If you cannot at first commit the words to memory, copy them, or some like them, in the front of your Prayer Book, and be not afraid to use them so. And when the service is all ended, do not make haste to go away. That half-minute of stillness, long enough to be noticed, but not long enough for a real, hearty Prayer, is not all that is needed. Again, "take with you words." Have something ready. Add, if you will, words and thoughts of Prayer, prompted by the Service just used, its chief lesson, the sermon, or devout wishes for blessing on some dear friend. Do not leave it all to chance. Begin with some such words as these :

Redeen er."

"Thanks be to God for all His mercies and blessings through His Church. God the Father, bless me. God the Son, ever seek to save me. God the

Holy Ghost, strengthen and cleanse me. The Holy Trinity, be with me and abide with me now and evermore, Amen."

At the close of the Holy Communion, especially, it might be expected that all souls would feel deeper fervor of Prayer, and wish time for more words of thankfulness. It would be wise use of time, as well as decent and desirable reverence, to remain thus in prayer until all that remains of the consecrated elements have been, as the Prayer Book bids, "reverently consumed."

OSLY HALF A POINT.

A gentleman crossing the English channel stiod near to the helmsman. It was a calm and pleasant evening, and no one dreamed of a possible danger to their good ship, but a sudden flapping of a sail, as if the wind had shifted, caught the ear of the officer on watch, and he sprang at once to the wheel, examining closer the compass.

"You are half a point off the course" he said sharply to the man at the wheel. The deviation was corrected, and the officer returned to his post.

"You must steer very accurately," said the looker-on, "when only half a point is so much thought of."

"Ah ! half a point in many places might bring us directly on the rocks," he said.

So it is in life. Half a point from strict truthfulness strands us upon the rocks of falsehood. Half a point from perfect honesty, and we are steering for the rocks of crime. And so of all kindred vices. The beginnings are always small. No one climbs to the summit at one bound, but goes the one step at a time. Children think little lightly of what they call small sins. These rocks do not look so fearful to the them.-Sailors' Magazine.

A Needful Warning.

In the Cathedral of Lubeck, in Germany, there is an old slab with the following inscription :

Thus speaketh our Lord to us : Ye call me Master, and obey me not ; Ye call me Light, and see me not; Ye call me Way, and walk me not ; Ye call me Life, and lesire me not Ye call me Wise, and follow me not ; Ye call me Rich, and ask me not ; Ye call me Eternal, and seek me not; Ye call me Gracious, and trust me not; Ye call me Noble, and serve me not ; Ye call me Mighty, and honor me not ; Ye call me Just, and fear me not ; If I condemn you, blame me not.

The Luminous Match Box.

A Word to the Young and to All.

Theo Graham had a beautiful match box. Aunt Bessie had brought it to her one visit. For several days it hung from a little hook over Theo's bed just facing the west window. Through that window the bright sunbeams fell freely pink room, filtering into the through a trellis work of crimson rose They shoots and yellow rose blooms. fell, too, on the white face of the luminous match box.

Then when the great sun disappeared behind the mountain, and darkness brooded over the face of the land, Aunt Bessie's gift shone out softly. It always showed Theo where to find a light, and was quite a companion to the lonely little girl.

A few weeks passed away and Theo noticed' her match box was getting dusty. So she wrapped it up carefully in paper (it was so much trouble keep all her possessions dusted cleaned) and stowed it away in to and in a drawer.

When Aunt Bessie came on her next visit, Theo brought out the luminous box and hung it up in the spare room.

"You will not need a night light," "She said, as she kissed her aunt before going to bed. "The laminous match box is in your room."

But when dear Aunt Bessie had put out her candle, no soft light gleamed

by the box to keep it safe, and Aunt Bessie told her what was wrong in the action.

"The box is painted with a peculiar kind of phosphorous paint, little one," she said. "It needs to absorb as much sunlight in the day as it can. Then at reflects. It just gathers all night it the beams into itself, as it were. The box has no power to shine of itself, It absorbs and then gives out. Keep it in the sun. Theo, and it will be of use."

There was a pause as the little girl fingered the white box.

Then Aunt Bessie added softly :"I think it is just a picture of you and and of all Christians. me, Theo, We need to live in the light in order to shine as lights. If we shut up ourselves in the darkness of selfishness or pride, or unbelief, we cannot possibly you remember be bright. Will this. my little niece ? Every morning spend a little time in absorbing. Read your Bible and try to get to know mind of Jesus. Then your face get to know the will shine and it will do so unconsciously." They talked a good deal more about the lessons the luminous match box had to teach them. I cannot repeat all the conversation. My readers will perhaps, be able to think out some for themselves. The one most useful to Theo Graham was the thought of how the match box could not help shining if it had been in the sunlight. There was no effort about it, no trying, no straining. Just quietly, if we are living in God's presence, we must reflect the light. -Selected .

Quebec Clerical Library.

The Sub-Librarian, the Rev. E. J. Etherington, desires to remind the Members of the Library, that they should send in their Annual Subscription (\$1.00) at the same time as they make their first application for book in any particular year, thus saving tha trouble of the collection of arrears at later date.

S. P. C. K DEPOSITORY.

CHANGE OF SECRETARY.

In our last issue we reported, that, the Rev. A. J. Balfour having resigned on the wall. The next day the two had a talk over the matter. Theo said she had put Brewer, was elected to take his place,

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and consequently all communications their industrious about the Depository should now be every Wednesday a addresed to him at No. 7 Port Dauphin, tion for an extensi Quebec City.

But the immediate object of this article is the Bishop's desire to express his most hearty thanks to Mr. Balfour for eleven years of very important voluntary work, whereby the Clergy throughout the Diocese have been enabled to procure the publications of the S. P.C. K. and, in certain instances, Church Society Book-Grants. The Bishop feels assured, that the Clergy everywhere, will unite with him in this expression of thanks.

-@> Vestrymen, Attention!

Within the last few months several Churches and three Rectories in the Dominion have been totally destroyed by fire. Go and look at your buildings carefully. Be sure that stoves and chimneys and connections are safe. And look out for your insurance. This is the business of the Vestry.

DISTRICT NEWS.

WATERVILLE.

The Rev. R. C. Tambs, writes : The assessment of the Mission has been increased by eighty dollars per annum for the next three years.

Our three Churches were nicely decorated for Christmas, the effect at St Barnabas being particularly admired.

Watercille-A memorial brass has been erected in St. John's Church by members of the Ball family to James Ball and Lucy Learned, his wife, who for some years before the founding of the Church, more than half a century ago, were both active in Church work, in which they death, 1872 and 1880.

On Shrove Tuesday a Guild Social was held at the residence of Mr. Geo. Wells, which in spite of fierce weather proved a happy means of adding \$15.-50 to the Parsonage Fund.

event of Hatley→A social North mark here was the marriage on St. Valentine's Day of Mr. Joseph Grant Sampson and Miss Fanny Ware McNeil The occasion was one of handsome presents and hearty felicitations from all sides.

meetings regularly every Wednesday afternoon in preparation for an extensive sale in the summer. Miss Moy is the President. She has recently worked a handsome Lenten Stole for the Church.

Readsville - This neighbourhood has been invaded by typhoid fever. In the home of Mr. Parker Dudley it proved very serious. With the exception of the mother, all the family, father and seven children came down with it, and also Mrs. Dudley's brother, who had come to their assistance. For nearly six months the disease held sway. Kind neighbors, including local Foresters, were as helpful as they could be. Nevertheless three of the sick succumbed-first the eldest child, a promising lad of fourteen, next, after a series of relapses, the father, and lastly, on February 21st, Mrs. Dudley's brother. Mr. Dudley not having been baptized, received that Sacrament during his illness. Very deep sympathy is felt for Mrs. Dudley by the whole community. Frail as she is, it is wonderful with fortitude sho borne up what. has through all this great affliction.

Eustis - It was a matter of no little pleasure to their many friends, that Mr. and Mrs. W. Odell, of this place, were at Christmas presented with a silver tea service. Mr. Odell has been Mining master of the Company's School with marked success for several years, and this is by no means the first time that his scholars have been pleased to give substantial expression to their appreciation of his worth, and at the same time to their high esteem also for his amiable wife. Mrs. Odell is our able organist at Christ Church. We congratulate ourselves in being favored with her kind and experienced services.

Capillon - Miss Mary McDonald, erstwhile assistant organist and Sunpersevered until their day School superintendent, was made the recipient at Christmas of an elegant jewelled ring, as a present from the congregation of Christ Church.

Mr. Christian Sorensen, who lately went through a successful operation at the Sherbrooke Protestant Hospital, is full of the praises of that institution, and hardly knows how sufficiently to express his gratitude for all the attention he received kindness and while there.

In regard to the parish large, I have received much kind help The ladies of the Guild are holding in the way of extra Services from the Rev. T. Ball, M.A. On the day of Humble Supplication, Sunday, February 11th, we had seven Services, he, kindly taking three at Waterville. The principal Services were well attended, and a fervent spirit seemed to prevail. The congregation was larger at Eustis than at North Hatley, but the largest was at Waterville, where the Congregationalists cheerfully attended as a body together with their Minister, the Rev. Mr. Craik, filling the Church to its utmost capacity. The offertories for the Patriotic Fund amounted to \$27.33.

is kindly engaged in col-Mr. Ball lecting in the Mission for the Robert Hamilton Memorial, and his list of subscribers is lengthening out encouragingly.

PENINSULA AND LITTLE GASPE.

The Rev. A. W. Dutton reports :--We are experiencing very heavy weather here. Snow storms and wind storms are the order of the day. Since the 29th of January the fall of snow has amounted to ten feet, and more is expected. Old residents here say they have not seen such a winter for many years. Naturally the roads are bad for travelling, yet in spite of tl is. the Services in both Churches have. with only two exceptions, been held regularly.

February 11th, we had On Sunday, the special Service of Intercession in reference to the war in South Africa. The Congregations were large on the occasion, and the Service was much by all. The appreciated collections, which amounted to \$9.00, were given to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

It is my sad duty to record the death of two of my parishioners in Peninsula On January 29th, Charles Bland, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Annett passed away after a brief illness.

The parish also mourns the loss of one of its most esteemed members. On February 15th, Charlotte Elizabeth Ascah passed to her rest, in hcr 62nd year, after a long and tedious illness. It was a cause of much thankfulness to her and to her family that she was enabled to partake of the Blessed Sacrament of the Holy Communion on the day previous to her death. The fact of there being a Church in the parish of Peninsula is due to the efforts of our departed sister. Besides this, although an invalid for many or before April 20th.

years, she was ever foremost in promoting the interests of the Church in Peninsula, and by her death the Church here has lost a sincere friend. We offer to the members of these families our heartfelt sympathy in their affliction. The Rev. Rural Dean I. Newton Kerr, the Inspector of Schools for this district, paid us a short visit. He arrived at the Parsonage on Feb. 18th, in the midst of a heavy snow storm, and was made cordially welcome. In the evening of the same (Sexagesima Sunday) he very assisted me at Evensong, day kindly preaching a very instructive sermon from the text 1 Cor., ix., 24. Mr. Kerr stayed with us till Wednes-

day morning, and during the days he was with us, enjoyed the full benefit of a Gaspe snow storm.

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