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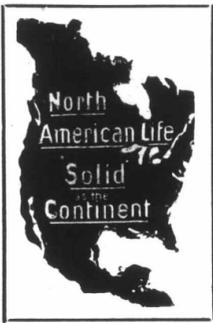
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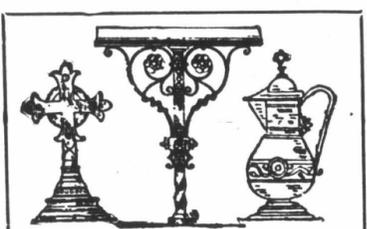
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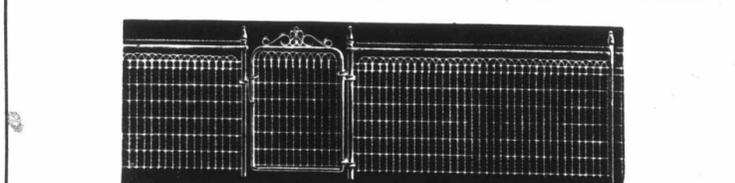
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Morning—Dan. 7: 9—15; Luke 24: 44.
Evening—2 Kgs. 2: 1—16; Heb. 4.

May 28—Sunday after Ascension.
Morning—Deut. 30; John 11: 1—17.
Evening—Deut. 34 or Josh. 1; Heb. 3: 7—4: 14.

Appropriate Hymns for Fifth Sunday after Easter and Sunday after Ascension Day, compiled by Dr. Albert Ham, F.R.C.O., organist and director of the choir of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. The numbers are taken from the New Hymn Book, many of which may be found in other hymnals.

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

"The Church that is in their house."—Rom. 16:5 (part).

Last week we learned that the family life must be strong in the recognition and advocacy of well-defined and eternal principles, and in the

exercise of discipline. In the second place, if we would realize the ideal of a branch of the Church in our homes, we must see to it that the family life is simple. Consider the tyranny of luxury. And as you do so, remember that luxury and refinement are absolutely distinct from one another. Luxuriousness is selfishness, and it is as well suicidal. It undermines the physical being and ruins the moral stamina and the intellectual ambition. It vitiates spiritual energy, for it leads us into a condition of life into which no serious thought or ambition can enter. The rich man's lot is cursed by luxury; and, like the poor man's quest for luxury, life ends in debt, disgrace, and hopelessness. The complications and intricacies which inevitably follow in the train of luxurious living hinder the fulfilment of family duties and responsibilities. Witness the falling birth rate amongst the seekers after luxury, the removal of children from direct parental control, and the entrusting of their education and their childhood's environment to persons eminently unfitted for such responsibilities. In the old-fashioned simplicity of the home we have the truest refinement and the surest discipline. And when we see a home dominated by simplicity we may well speak of the Church that is in that home. Then, in the third place, if we would realize our ideal, we must keep our homes pure. Purity results from adherence to definite religious principles, and is in itself the truest form of simplicity. How necessary for us to cultivate a reverent treatment of all things, and especially of the mysteries of our being! Is it not sad to realize that the flippancy of our day largely centres around those mysteries? Learn the distinction between the innocence and the purity of children. Innocence does not protect in an evil world; purity does. For purity implies knowledge, which is power to resist temptations. Ignorance implies weakness, and, therefore, liability to fall. It is no idle boast that England's greatness (and our promise of greatness) and usefulness in the world are in great measure founded on the purity of her homes. Let us keep our homes pure, that the Church may be realized therein, and "that our sons may grow up as the young plants, and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple" (Ps. 144:12). The forces of the world, the flesh, and the devil, with all their vanity, godlessness, lack of discipline, easy divorce, hatred of parental responsibility, slack ideas concerning sexual purity, are threatening "Home, sweet home." It is sheer ingratitude on our part not to preserve with care all the beautiful sentiments clustering around the word "home," and all the high ideals of marriage and family life, for which our nation has been famous for many centuries. The home is the training-ground of all the virtues which make for a healthy society. And the more we dwell upon the religious aspect of the family life the closer do we come to the ideal contained in our text, "The Church that is in their house."

Richard Baxter.

Looking over a notice in an old number of the "Spectator" of Richard Baxter's "The Poor Man's Family Book," published two hundred and forty years ago, we were struck with the applicability of most of it to present-day religious life in Canada. Baxter wrote this book with special reference to the farming community round Kidderminster, and history says that its effect was a wonderful improvement. The book is in the shape of questions and answers between the parson and landowner, and parson and tenant. The rich man, Sir Clymas Dives (riches then consisted of lands) in his replies says that the "quiet and sober religion" that the rich "are for" is "to love God and my neighbour, and to

do as I would be done by, and to go to church and say my prayers, and when I have sinned, repent and cry to God for mercy, and trust in Christ, and so be quiet and trouble myself no further." The parson disturbs his quiet by telling him that he (the parson) is much among his tenants; that many are so very poor as to have too little and too poor food and drink. They are so full of cares as to have no heart for the greater business of their souls, and often so tired that when they should pray, or read a chapter, or instruct their families, they would fall asleep; "yea! tired on the Lord's Day with the week's labour." Worst of all, they cannot spare their children from work while they learn to read. The rich man is naturally angry, and there is a controversy, the parson denying that he ever mentions a controversial point in religion to a poor man, and saying that there will always be difference of opinion; and he is not a wise man who will urge a friend to delay a journey "which is for his estate or his life till all the clocks in London strike together." This part of the book is ended by Dives dying of a fever and then the poor man is brought forward.

Baxter's Poor Man

Was not "grossly wicked nor unconscionable," but has his own faults. Does not think much of religion—it is melancholy, might make him mopish, but he will never scorn or rail at godliness, or rebuke the merry sensualist on the other hand. He is fond of children, but careless what company they keep. "At last," says the parson, "I perceive that you are all for yourself, though you are quiet and a good neighbour. You speak best of those who do you any good, be they what they will in other respects, and you will always have an ill word for those that have fallen out with you, or that think ill or meanly of you, let them be ever so honest in all other respects." It is difficult in an abstract of an abstract to give more than an outline, but the above covers the first half of this book, which in its day had such influence, because every reader found so much which applied to himself. We hope to take up the second part in an early issue.

Archbishop McEvay.

It almost goes without saying that our brethren of the Roman Catholic Church have our sincere sympathy in the bereavement they have sustained in the death of the late Archbishop. Death is the great leveller. King, Bishop, peasant, alike in turn bow the head when his messenger comes. It is on such occasions we feel how trivial after all are most of our earthly strifes, and how great is the need of a larger measure of mutual forbearance and respect. Thank God, most of us have human hearts, and they need but the pressure of common trouble or danger to warm them with the glow of friendly concern for one another. The late Archbishop, so far as our knowledge goes, was a man of sterling worth, of marked administrative ability, who gave himself unreservedly to the faithful discharge of his arduous and responsible duties. It may be that his unselfish devotion to duty led him to neglect his own health and comfort, and thereby shortened the span of a diligent and capable life.

Weighty Words.

Archbishop Alexander, in a letter to the Primate of Ireland on the occasion of the meeting of the General Synod held at Dublin a few days ago, asked his brother prelate to say two things for him to his flock of all Ireland. Touching and beautiful was the letter of the aged, devout and eloquent Archbishop to his worthy successor in the Primacy. And the two things he wished repeated are of priceless value to those who are

wise and humble enough to strive by the grace of God to work them out in their daily lives: "They are two things from the Book of all books, 'Little children, love one another,' and in this age of scholarship among our clergy, 'not with wisdom of words, lest the Cross of Christ should be made of none effect.'" It would be well for the Church were those amongst the clergy who are counted wise and learned daily to endeavour by the aid of the Holy Spirit to fathom the deep meaning of these warning words of the great Apostle: "Not with wisdom of words, lest the Cross of Christ should be made of none effect," emphasized as they are by one of the most renowned and eloquent preachers of the Church in Great Britain and Ireland.

Old Country Estates.

The taxes and duties placed upon land in the Old Country by the present Government is causing a complete change of ownership, and the possession of large estates, so much sought after in former times, is being relinquished, especially lands which might be profitable, but held for ornamental purposes, are becoming year by year a greater burden. A few months ago Lord Onslow announced his intention of disposing of an estate lying south of London, lands which will be at once bought and turned into homes. In the north of Scotland the Earl of Kinnoul has sold his estate, and in bidding farewell to his tenantry and servants at Dupplin Castle spoke with great emotion. He told how he came from a stock which had held these lands for nigh three hundred years, through weal and woe; they had been happy times for those attached to the land. In his address he said taxation had trebled during the last thirty years, rates had gone up, mortgages had gone up in interest, and the cost of living increased. He said he had had no income from Dupplin for many years past after payment of charges, and he was not alone among landowners. The only people who could afford an estate are those with outside wealth. In other classes the pressure is felt, and the result is an enormous migration from Scotland, which must sadly deplete the small population of the straths and glens. Even the cities show very small increases. The trend is now all oversea, to us or Australia largely.

Landless Men for Manless Land.

This is a taking cry, one which, it is hoped, will attract and keep at home wavering, restless people. Old Country papers are asking such people to write letters. Here is the gist of some: What is there to keep a man? Nearly every trade is overworked, employment is increasingly uncertain, especially after forty, and the numbers of aliens keep wages so low that it is hard to earn enough to keep body and soul together. Then another writer tells of a cabinetmaker who sold his business, got a situation in British Columbia at \$175 a month, while his wife went in for a fruit ranch, which cost \$1,250, and she has cleared the costs in two years and a half. Could anyone, the writer asks, make thirty-five pounds a month and clear a small farm in the Old Country? True, but how many emigrants would have the good fortune to do so in another? A farm labourer writes that he is going. He admits that wages are good, so that many farm servants might take a small holding at home, but he says that there is such a rush for them and the restrictions are so great that there is much worry and annoyance, so that a man would sooner face privations on his own land in a new country. The pressure of trades unions is felt by others, and so it goes on. People say that they want elbow-room, less competition, some relief from the over-crowded labour market. Reading such letters should make us in Canada realize how many blessings we really possess. Many of these are like the proverbial far-off hills, which are always green to gazers who stare at them and overlook what lies at their feet.

The British Ambassador.

Canadians of all classes and creeds welcome a visit from the Right Honourable James Bryce, not only on account of the high position held by the distinguished scholar and statesman, but also out of regard to the pure and upright character of the man. High office is not only justified, but honoured, when its recipient brings to it a strong and cultivated intellect, special aptitude for the performance of its duties, and high character as well. These qualities are most happily combined in the British Ambassador to the United States of America. We may be sure that whatever advance has been made between that power and our own Empire in good feeling and mutual self-respect has been largely brought about by the honest, capable and humane efforts of Sir James Bryce.

Fashion.

We were glad at seeing the announcement that King George and Queen Mary had decreed that persons wearing what is called the "hobble skirt" should be denied admission to the Coronation ceremonies. Thank God, the spirit and example of our noble and virtuous Queen Victoria still survive her lamented death! In going to and returning from church last Sunday one could not repress a feeling of regret—to put it in the mildest possible form—that some respectable women could be content to wear such tight-fitting garments. It is said that such fashions are set by fallen women of Paris. The sound sense and right feeling of the King and Queen of Great Britain have come to the rescue of modesty and refinement. All honour to them and to all who follow their good example in disapproving all extremes of fashion that are unbecoming to pure and virtuous women.

A Moslem Convert.

We have read with unusual interest in the April number of "Bible Lands," the quarterly paper of the Jerusalem and the East Mission, the pathetic story of the "Sufferings of a Moslem Convert" from the pen of the Rev. J. T. Parfit, B.A., one of the chaplains of the Right Rev. Dr. Blyth, Bishop of our Church in Jerusalem and the East. Such records put our modern professions of Christianity to the blush, and, with the thrilling testimony of our former devoted missionary, Dr. Gould, compel us to realize that we have converts in the East to-day who, in faith, fortitude and sufferings under persecution, are reviving the memory of the glorious martyrs of the early Church. We can only give a small portion of the Rev. Mr. Parfit's narrative: "One stormy night" says Mr. Parfit, "an ill-clad Arab came shivering up to the door of our schoolhouse in the Lebanon and begged for a private interview with the English minister. I led the suspicious looking character to my study, where in rich, classical Arabic he courteously apologized for his appearance and for troubling me with a visit on such a night at such an hour. His speech and manners betrayed the fact that he was no ordinary beggar, so I politely asked him to tell me his name. After cautiously closing the door lest a third person should hear our conversation, his haggard features beamed into a smile, while he startled me by saying that his name was Abd'l Messieh. 'What! Servant of Christ?' I exclaimed. 'Are you, then, a convert to Christianity?' 'Yes, indeed; I was baptized in the town of A—. For nearly three years I have been in Yemen, and six months ago I escaped with thirty-four companions, only two of whom have survived to reach Beyrout with me in safety. Most of the others were buried by our own hands in the sands of Arabia as they succumbed, one by one, to hunger, thirst, and the privations of the journey.' I now began to realize, as he proceeded with his touching story, that he was one of the two converts who had been imprisoned in Jerusalem. When he found that I

recognized him he was overcome with joy and burst into tears."

Inner Chamber of Conscience.

Would that men in any matter that might lead to loss of self-respect or forfeiture of Christian principle could form the habit of resorting to the inner chamber of conscience before taking the final step. Many a grievous error might thus be avoided and many a remorseful memory shunned. The Archbishop of York, with his accustomed insight and power, gave point to this thought in an address on "Character," in which, after referring to the attack made on the House of Lords, he said there was a "second chamber with which no man could possibly dispense, and that was the second chamber, in which hereditary principles sat in judgment upon the first chamber of a man's passions, desires, and impulses; a second chamber where ought to sit enthroned and unremovable the great hereditary principles of the fear of God and man, the claim of conscience, which alone could make the real greatness of our people."

Naming the Baby

Is a privilege which parents often find unsatisfactory. Sir Donald Mann recently commiserated the official who had to find names for the new stations on the Canadian Northern. When these first names are changed the result is not always happy. We have always regretted the loss of Rat Portage. But other countries have their name troubles, and a story is revived of how Bangor in Maine received its name. Originally, it was called Sunbury, and when it aspired to the dignity of a charter the Rev. Seth Noble was asked to aid the passing of the Act by the General Court. Mr. Noble was a great singer, and Bangor was a favourite tune of his. It occurred to him that Bangor would be a more satisfactory name than Sunbury and so he had it inserted in the charter. The Hymn Book indices would supply many names not yet appropriated.

THE REPORT OF M.S.C.C.

The report of the Missionary Society of the Canadian Church just received reveals a most encouraging state of affairs, and a steady, uniform progress during the past few years that promises well for the future. The Church, it is now becoming evident, is waking up in good earnest to her wider corporate responsibilities in the matter of missions, and ere long, it is to be hoped, will take her proper place among the other Canadian religious bodies, whom she has so long lagged behind. The year 1910, it is most pleasing to note, has established a record in the history of the Society in the matter of income, which was considerably over \$139,000, an increase in three years of \$43,186. Not so many years ago the reaching of the \$100,000 mark was held up as a sort of ideal. Soon we shall be avowedly aiming at a fixed income of at least \$200,000. Since its formation in 1902, the M.S.C.C. has expended half a million dollars on domestic and a quarter of a million on foreign missions. The marked progress of the work has necessitated the renting of new and more commodious offices and the appointment of an assistant general secretary. In all directions and connections there are abundant evidences of advance in the work of the Society. A course of missionary teaching has been inaugurated in our Divinity Colleges, and a Missionary Prayer and Study Union has been formed, a canon for the regulation of our missionary deacons has been drawn up, etc. The work of the immigrant chaplains at Halifax, St. John, and Quebec has been most efficient, and excellent results are anticipated. The following missionary enterprises are specially commended: The Columbia Coast Mission, which has recently been greatly helped by

the acquisition of a new ship and the appointment of an additional missionary; the Railway Mission in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle under the Rev. Douglass Ellison; a similar work in the Diocese of Calgary under the Rev. W. G. Boyd. These two missions, we presume, are supported by the English Archbishops' Fund. The Diocese of Rupert's Land has become self-supporting, having ceased to ask for any assistance from M.S.C.C. A well-deserved tribute is paid to the work of the Rev. Canon Tucker, under whose supervision the Society has so greatly prospered. Cheering accounts come from the various missionary dioceses. In Algoma steady progress has been made, and there is a marked improvement in the diocesan finances. At least a dozen new fields are waiting for resident clergymen, seven new churches were built during the year, and a number are projected. The work in the Diocese of Moosonee, which is principally among the Indians and Eskimos, has been well maintained. There are six divisions of the Indian work, each in charge of a clergyman with assistant catechists. About seven hundred Eskimos are under the care of the Church, and a good deal of new ground has recently been broken. Some work has also been done among the white settlers. The Church population of the diocese includes 3,708 Indians, 835 whites, and 922 Eskimos. The Diocese of Keewatin is holding its own amid rather discouraging circumstances. The Bishop speaks enthusiastically of the liberality of the one self-supporting parish of Kenora, which singly raises half the entire diocesan apportionment. One-half of the work of the diocese is still among the Indians and the Eskimos, many of whom are still uninculturated with civilization. The Bishop pays a passing tribute to the many noble traits in the Indian character. In the Diocese of Qu'Appelle during the past year eleven churches and thirteen rectories have been built; the clergy and stations have increased since 1903 from 25 to 81 and from 115 to 480, respectively. The Bishop of Calgary gives a detailed account of the work done, and being done, under the auspices of the Archbishops' Fund along the line of railway. Six or seven priests and several laymen are already in the field, and more will follow. A large number of parishes have become self-supporting, and there has been a substantial increase in the parsonages and churches. The Indian work, which engrosses the energies of three clergymen, is flourishing. The outlook in British Columbia is decidedly hopeful, but, as our space is nearly exhausted, we cannot go into details. The same may be said of the work in the Far North, including the Diocese of Yukon. We heartily commend to all our readers a careful study of this report, by far the most interesting, comprehensive, and inspiring that has yet been issued by the M.S.C.C. It contains a vast amount of most valuable information, well arranged and attractively presented, and it supplies a picture of conditions, secular as well as religious, in all portions of the Dominion that would be almost impossible to otherwise obtain. We shall take up the foreign missionary work at an early date.

A YEAR'S WORK IN THE MOTHER CHURCH.

The official Year Book of the Church of England, recently issued, gives a vast mass of very interesting information relative to the purely ecclesiastical work of the Mother Church during the year 1910. For this most useful publication the Church is indebted to the Rev. J. H. Burnside, who, if we remember, was its original publisher. From a very modest handbook not so many years ago it has grown to a goodly volume, and every successive issue sees some addition and improvement in the style of its makeup and the amount of information supplied. It is most gratifying to find that the number of deacons ordained last year has very materially risen. In

1901 they fell to 569. Last year they were 672, the best as yet recorded, but still, as is pointed out, far below the increase in the general population. The prospects for maintaining and increasing these figures are good. There is an annual loss, it is calculated, of between five and six hundred clergy by death. An increase in communicants of over 50,000 is reported. Weekly Communion is celebrated in 10,316 churches as against 10,092 for the preceding year. The Sunday scholars have increased from 2,448,230 in 1908 to 2,518,918 in 1910; the teachers increased from 212,712 to 215,354. A substantial increase in attendance at Bible classes is also recorded. The grand total of voluntary offerings is put at £7,912,753. This is not, as it appears at first sight, a drop, but really an increase, as the preceding year's figures included £230,000 of the unappropriated Pan-Anglican Fund. Deducting this sum from the grand total for 1909, we find that there has been an increase on ordinary receipts of about £190,000. Licensed lay readers increased from 3,668 to 3,769. The custom of making Easter offerings has greatly grown of late. It is a revival of an ancient practice. Last year the money so raised totalled £113,940. It is, we believe, given to the incumbent of the parish. Over half a million pounds was raised for the support of the clergy, presumably for paying curates and supplementing the incomes of vicars and rectors. Church accommodation has risen from 5,779,551 to 5,786,689. There is a steady decline in the number of appropriated, and a corresponding increase in the number of free seats. Considering the fact that the Church claims at least half the nation, this accommodation would seem very inadequate, and one would think should be increased at least by fifty per cent. The two unsatisfactory features of the report is the decrease in baptisms and confirmations. This is due, no doubt, to the rapidly falling birth rate. It is more than likely that a careful calculation would show a relative increase in the number baptized and confirmed as compared with the figures of twenty or thirty years ago. But the fact is, there are not the babies to baptize, and consequently not the children to confirm as in the sixties, seventies and eighties. Since 1870 the English birth rate has fallen approximately thirty per cent. We hardly think that the decline in baptisms and confirmations during that period equals this. If it falls below it, then the Church is undoubtedly gaining ground. The grand total of baptisms and confirmations for the year 1909-10 was 575,590 and 236,191. The most discouraging feature about these figures is that apparently about half the baptized lapse from the Church, the baptisms being considerably more than double the confirmations. The report on the whole, however, is one which may well fill us with thankfulness. The old Church is evidently full of vigorous life. A report such as this is, of course, necessarily

very imperfect. In the first place, a considerable number of parishes make no returns; then it is impossible even to roughly estimate what Church people contribute to non-denominational objects, such as the Bible Society, the London Missionary Society, Dr. Barnardo's Homes, etc. This grand total of nearly \$40,000,000 is probably only about three-fourths of the contributions of English Church people to religious work.

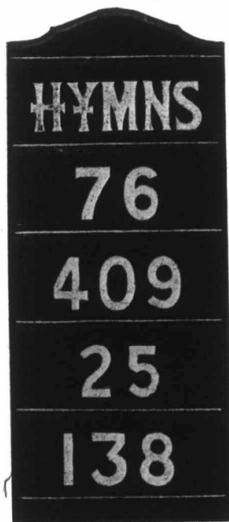
FROM WEEK TO WEEK.

Spectator's Comments, and Notes of Public Interest.

The question of clerical salaries is every year becoming a more serious matter in the administration of the Church. Bishops are crying out for men, and they are not apparently forthcoming. Men are more frequently retiring from the ministry and entering upon business pursuits as a means of livelihood. According to our experience there are more clergymen still in the active ministry who are engaging in farming, market gardening, poultry raising, stock exchange investments and such pursuits in order to supplement their miserably slim incomes and give their children a decent education. One is constrained to ask, why not? If when the flush of youth is past and the prospects for advancement are no longer what they were, and, since the Church does not appreciate the necessities of its clergy, is it not incumbent upon them to look out for themselves? They who have won the prizes in the Church naturally assume that it was Divine approbation that brought them thither. If the brethren would do as they did they might be there also. Perhaps. Still, some do not care to follow the example. But it is not prizes men are seeking, but that support that will enable them to do their work with efficiency without external distractions. It is an income that will tend to make the laity feel some respect for their spiritual officer, and some respect for themselves in the maintenance of the same. There ought to be in every diocese a minimum salary. Any man worthy of serving at the altars of the Church should be worthy of receiving that salary and assured of its receipt. In the meantime we need not be surprised at various devices being resorted to to supplement what the Church is offering the clergy and calling salaries or stipends. Nor need we be surprised at a growing tendency on the part of our young men to avoid placing themselves in this position, and declining to enter the ministry. It is all very well to talk about sacrifice, but it is sacrifice on the part of the laity that needs emphasis just now.

"Spectator" has been endeavouring to get his hands upon a specimen copy of the Sunday School paper that is about to be issued under the auspices of the Sunday School Commission, but up to the present his efforts have been fruitless. He learned that copies were sent here and there for inspection, and had presumed to think that he would not be forgotten in the distribution, but his hopes, like his efforts, have come to nought. One would naturally think that a publication of this kind would find its way to the Church press, for, after all, its progress can be helped or hindered by that agency. It would seem to us to have been a matter of elementary wisdom and courtesy to have taken the press into the confidence of the Commission on this subject. However, that is their affair.

In this age of fads and fancies we have a new thing sprung upon us in a day set apart for "Mother." They who have brought themselves fame by this brilliant idea have not, we think, done much to sanctify motherhood. To have "Mother" as the topic of endless articles, addresses, sermons and talks on a given day every



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year is not in our estimation a glorifying of motherhood, but rather a debasing of it. It is something that is sure to pall upon us, to beget exaggeration, unreal and unedifying panegyrics upon a subject that ought to be treated with dignified reserve. Any movement like this that bears on the face of it a manufactured enthusiasm is undesirable and mischievous. Let us by all means help to sustain the high traditions and hallowed associations of motherhood but let us not imagine that this can be done by vociferating platitudes on the subject from the housetops every year, or ostentatiously wearing a flower that is supposed to proclaim our fidelity. The next thing, we suppose, will be a day on which men will go about declaring how much they love their wives, and by-and-by we shall, of course, be celebrating "Daddy's Day." We need a little more iron in our constitution to resist these silly movements by fussy people who are anxious to be at the head of some procession.

Spectator.

PRAYER BOOK STUDY.

The questions are published weekly for a year, and the answers from time to time. They are intended for studying the Prayer Book.

115. How much of the Bible is read over once a year in the services?
116. What is the rule about priests and deacons saying daily Morning and Evening Prayer?
117. Where in the Prayer Book does it provide for a bell to be tolled?
118. Where are words Pulpit and Reading Pew found?
119. Where is David referred to as a prophet?
120. Why is the 119th Psalm divided into twenty-two parts.

ANSWERS.

Answers to the questions on the Prayer Book, both question and answers are numbered alike, so as to avoid confusion.

38. According to the wording of the Prayer Book, and we ought to be as correct as possible in our referring to that source, a Bishop is consecrated, a priest is ordained, and a deacon is ordered. In places the service refers to the ordering of priests, also to the ordaining of Bishops and Archbishops. But the title page of the Prayer Book as well as the Rubrics at the beginning of the Ordinal refer to the order as given above. "Made" a Deacon, "Ordained" a Priest, and Consecrated a Bishop or Archbishop.

39. At the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony the woman is given away to the Officiating Priest, and by him given to the man. So the rubric directs "The Minister receiving the woman at her father's or friend's hands." The idea so beautifully brought out is, that the Church is giving her to the man, the Church is marrying them. Just as in Holy Baptism the Infant is taken and received into the arms, and in Adult Baptism received by the hand, so in Matrimony. Received by the Church and then given into a new life. This is beautifully illustrated when the one appointed to give the woman away, is instructed to take her by the hand and walking forward place her hand into that of the Priest, who receiving her in turn places her hand in that of the man she is about to marry.

40. The man is to lay the ring upon the book with the accustomed duty. In former days a list of Fees for Baptism, Marriage and Burials was printed and nailed up that all might see. Today we seldom find them. People are to use their judgment upon such matters. The Clergy are at all times, within bounds, ready and willing to Administer the Sacraments of the Church free. But there are times when the Clergy are put to considerable expense and trouble to be on hand

at the desired time and place. It is well to admonish all parties to consider such circumstances, especially at Marriages, and that they should not omit this rubric of giving Duty.

41. The simplest way to explain N or M is that the N stands for Name, and the M for two Ns referring to names.

42. The Comfortable Words follow the translation of the Great English Bible of Henry the VIII. and Edward the VI.

PASTORAL LETTER.

The following letter from the House of Bishops is to be read in all of our churches throughout Canada on the third Sunday in May (May 21st), 1911. "We, the Archbishops and Bishops of that branch of the Catholic Church, known as the Church of England in Canada, to the faithful in Christ Jesus: Greeting: Whereas, the minds of many have been greatly disturbed by a decision in the courts of the Province of Quebec annulling a marriage between two members of the Roman Church, solemnized by one authorized by the State to officiate at marriages, and by enforcement of the decree known as the 'Ne temere' decree by the Bishop of Rome; and whereas we believe the said decision to be contrary to the Christian ideal of marriage, to involve grave civil injustice, and to be in its consequences destructive to the home life of the people: We deem it our duty to address you upon this subject. We desire to remind you that the Anglican Church in Canada has ever taken the strictest view regarding the sanctity of marriage. It is a Holy Ordinance instituted by God, and is the foundation of our social and family life. The Church and State must unite to guard the marriage bond, and to preserve its indissolubility. To this end our General Synod has decided that no clergyman of our Church shall officiate at the marriage of any divorced person during the lifetime of the former partner in the marriage. It is most desirable that those who enter the Holy Estate of Matrimony should realize its solemnity, and have due regard to its blessings and mutual responsibilities. We greatly deplore the lowering of the ideals and purposes of marriage which is so common in many quarters. It is of the greatest moment that those who enter into this estate should be married by a clergyman of the Church before proper witnesses, and, wherever possible, in the Church building, and that they should be in agreement concerning their religious convictions. Mixed marriages are ever to be deprecated, as they deprive husband and wife of that mutual help which the one should be to the other in life, and make the religious training of the children in the home most difficult. Nevertheless, we emphatically assert the validity of such marriages when duly solemnized, and we maintain that once consummated they are indissoluble. No marriage should be annulled because of the divergent religious convictions of the parties; nor because of the Ecclesiastical connection of the one solemnizing the marriage. The Church and State, though separated by law, must unite in protecting those who have been married by a duly competent officer authorized by the State for the solemnization of marriages, and in upholding their civil status and rights. Nor should the State permit marriage to be annulled for an Ecclesiastical offence, or because it is contrary to the Canon Law of the Church of Rome, or contrary to the laws, rules and regulations of any religious organization whatsoever. At the same time, we fully admit the right of any ecclesiastical or religious body to make and enforce such spiritual penalties as may be in accordance with its own rules; but without impeaching or interfering with the civil status of the parties concerned. We do not desire to express any opinion upon the civil law. We leave that to our final Court of Justice. But we would remind you that decisions of various judges have differed upon this question in the Province of Quebec. It is in the interest of all our citizens to have the law clearly defined. Whatever may be the proper interpretation of the existing law, it is of the greatest importance that there should be one uniform marriage law for the whole Dominion. In conclusion, we urge upon all the duty of safeguarding in every way the sanctity of marriage, and we deprecate and deplore all interference with legally sanctioned family life as fraught, not only with injustice, humiliation and suffering to the parties concerned, but as imperilling the fundamental basis

of our social system. We commend you to the grace of God, and pray that His Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule your hearts. Montreal, this 28th day of April, 1911. Signed on behalf of the House of Bishops of Canada, S. P. Rupertsland, Primate; Charles Ottawa, Archbishop of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada."

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSION.

The semi-annual meeting of the Sunday School Commission of the Church of England in Canada was held in the Synod Hall at Montreal on April 26th. To describe in detail the business conducted during the ten hours of the three sessions would be impossible. We shall select the salient points of the Sunday School advance. The meeting formed indeed a landmark in the history of the Commission, for at it were considered and adopted the first triennial report to the General Synod since the Commission's inception and the first annual report of the General Secretary, as well as the third annual report of the Commission to the Diocesan Synod. The Commission has been well said to stand for Organization, Education, and Inspiration. What progress do the reports show in these particulars?—(1) Organization.—The object sought is the organization of the whole Church in the Dominion for more effective Sunday School work. At the centre of control stands the head office as representing the Commission. This office is to be in touch with a secretary in each diocese; he, in turn, is assisted by a secretary in each deanery, who again is in touch with every parish in the deanery. Thus the head office is bound by a chain of three links to each individual school in the Dominion. The Diocesan and Deanery Secretaries are to be helped in their work by men and women who specialize in various departments of Sunday School activity—each diocese and deanery having its expert in teacher training, home department work, adult Bible Class work, primary work, and in the duties of the secretary, the librarian and the treasurer as well as an expert and enthusiast in the task of nourishing a missionary heart in the generation that is to follow us. This is a high "standard of organization" to which to measure up, but already fifteen of the twenty-three dioceses are on their way towards it—the development of some being, of course, more mature than that of others. (2) Education.—The General Secretary, the Rev. R. A. Hiltz, reported that at four colleges, namely, King's College, Windsor; Trinity and Wycliffe Colleges, Toronto; and Huron College, London, he had delivered a course of lectures on the principles and practice of Sunday School work, in connection with the requirement by all the Bishops of a knowledge of this department of work at examinations for ordination. The subject of Teacher Training has also been brought forward this year. As a result it is hoped that at the Whitsuntide examination candidates from twelve dioceses will write on the course prescribed by the Commission. In connection with the chief text book of the course, Hurlbut's Teacher Training Lessons, it may be interesting to notice that the Commission has decided to print a page of "corrigenda" calling attention to the few points in which Hurlbut differs from the views of the Church. "The Commission Bulletin" has been issued monthly in connection with the "Teacher's Assistant," and the "Church Sunday School Lesson Helps." The most notable feature has been the printing of four concise monographs on Teacher Training, the Home Department, the Missionary Department, and the Font Roll. These have also been published separately for distribution to the Sunday School authorities in each parish. It is hoped soon to publish similar pamphlets on all the other main branches of the work. The head office is continually becoming more effective as a bureau of information. During the year 633 letters had been received and 2,799 had gone out. (3) Inspiration.—It is difficult to tabulate this spiritual entity. We can only record the efforts of the General Secretary to fulfil the Commission's object. During the year he attended 183 meetings, 7 Synods, and 24 conventions. He visited 22 deaneries, and 78 parishes or schools. He gave 207 addresses and sermons. He afforded 99 personal interviews; and to do all this travelled 16,650 miles. The report of the treasurer showed that the Church was beginning to understand the call made to her by her own children. The first observance of Children's Day in October, 1909, had brought in \$2,901.53. The Commission had decided to ask for \$4,000 in 1910 to

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meet the growing work. The amount actually received in 1910 was \$3,742.06, a very satisfactory increase of about 70 per cent. Four dioceses, Algoma, Huron, Ottawa and Toronto exceeded their apportionment. Of these Toronto gave the sum of \$1,018.92; while Ottawa relatively headed the list, paying \$330.47 on an apportionment of \$254. For the ensuing year the Commission asks the Church for \$5,500. This sum could easily be raised if everywhere clergy and congregations realized that Children's Day is not intended to be a day on which a collection is taken up only in the Sunday School, but one on which the whole congregation is to be given the privilege and opportunity of contributing towards the more effective religious education of their own sons and daughters. In connection with the treasurer's statement, the whole question of the particular line of development which the active work of the Commission should take, was discussed. Should an effort be made to effect the appointment by the dioceses of diocesan field secretaries; or should the work of the General Secretary be strengthened by the appointment of an assistant General Secretary; and then, as time went on, of other assistants until the diocesan ideal was reached by development from the centre? The Commission unanimously decided that the second course was the right one. A premature appointment of diocesan secretaries would drain the financial support of the diocese away from the central work of the Commission to diocesan needs, and so end in a number of isolated and comparatively futile efforts. Hence a motion of President Powell that the Commission should definitely aim at the appointment of an assistant to the General Secretary, as soon as conditions made such an appointment possible, was carried unanimously. A long and careful debate followed the report of the committee on a Sunday School paper, which was read by the Rev. J. M. Snowdon. The report showed that the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge was ready to publish a Church paper for the Sunday Schools of the Empire, to be known as "The Empire Sunday Scholar." The paper was to be published weekly, to contain 12 pages, and to cost 25 cents per annum. A portion would be preserved for Canadian articles written in Canada. The Society intended to print 250,000 copies of the first number, the "Foreword" to be written by the Archbishop of Canterbury. A proof copy of the proposed paper was in the hands of the Commission, and while its effort to teach and not merely amuse was commended, yet it was generally felt to be considerably too heavy in style. Some members of the Commission felt very strongly that a definitely Canadian paper was needed and suggested that the M.S.C.C. be approached to see whether the "Canadian Church Juvenile" could not be separated from the "New Era," and published weekly by the Sunday School Commission operating in conjunction with the M.S.C.C. It was felt, however, that financial difficulties stood in the way of such an undertaking, and it was decided to endorse the action of the S.P.C.K., and to recommend "The Empire Sunday Scholar" to our Canadian Schools. It was decided, however, to send a strong letter to the S.P.C.K., pointing out the absolute necessity for greater lightness of treatment. The Canadian Church may thus hope soon to have its long-desired Sunday School paper without the burden of financial responsibility; and Canon Downie, the originator of the idea, to see the fruit of his long correspondence with England. Other advances were the report of the Hymn Book Committee that the publishers were willing to produce a 10 cent edition of the Book of Common Praise in readable type for use in Sunday Schools; the decision to allow \$100 for the formation of a Sunday School exhibit, the constitution of a committee to organize the holding of summer schools for Sunday School workers in various centres, and the endorsing of a standard of organization for diocesan and branch associations, as a goal towards which they should aim. The Scheme of Lessons for 1911-12, presented by the Lesson Committee was, with a few minor changes, adopted. A motion of President Powell was also carried requesting the committee to prepare a scheme in outline for several years ahead, in order that the whole teaching system of the Commission might be realized, and misunderstandings arising from a knowledge of only one year of the course be taken away. The following members of the Commission were present:—Rev. Dr. Rexford, chairman; the Archbishop of Ottawa, the Bishops of Algoma, Calgary, Fredericton, Moosonee, and New Westminster, the Ven. Archdeacons Ingles, Armitage and McKim, President Powell, the Revs. C. V. Pilcher, Canon Hogbin, Canon Downie, H. E.

Horsley, A. P. Shatford, H. H. Bedford-Jones, Canon Kittson, J. M. Snowdon, Canon Sheeve, Rural Dean Robertson, and the General Secretary, and Messrs. T. Mortimer, Dr. L. H. Davidson, R. H. Buchanan, Judge McDonald, F. Hayter, H. Mortimer, and J. Nicholson, the Honorary Treasurer.—C. V. P.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

MONTREAL.

Montreal.—The monthly meeting of the executive committee of the Montreal Local Assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held on Tuesday evening, May 2nd, 1911, in the Chapter House of Christ Church Cathedral. The resignation of Mr. Robert S. Strader, as president of the Assembly, was accepted, and Mr. Hamilton S. Hall, director of St. Matthias' Chapter was elected to the presidency. Mr. Strader expects to remove to the States about the middle of July. The Lenten Service Committee was appointed, consisting of Mr. Hall, Mr. King, and Mr. Greenwood. It was decided to hold the summer meeting of the Assembly early in July. Mr. Griffiths, of St. George's Chapter; Mr. Edgar, of St. James' the Apostle Chapter; Mr. Compston, of St. Jude's Chapter; Mr. P. Beasley, of Ascension Chapter, were added to the committee for the balance of the year. The president urged the members to use more personal effort in behalf of the Forward Movement Fund. Mr. Webber reported a new probationary chapter at St. Lambert, P.Q.



OTTAWA.

Ottawa.—Much regret is felt among the Brotherhood men in Ottawa at the news that Mr. F. W. Thomas has severed active official connection with the Head Office. As General Secretary, Mr. Thomas has become well known and highly esteemed by all interested in Brotherhood work, and it is felt that his place will be hard to fill. On a recent Tuesday evening a general meeting of the Junior Brotherhood Chapters took place at Lauder Memorial Hall for the purpose of taking steps for the formation of a Junior Local Assembly.

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MONTREAL.

Montreal.—The M.D.W.A. held their monthly meeting on May 4th. It opened with passing a resolution of sympathy with the wife and family of the late Archdeacon Davidson. The treasurer's report showed disbursements to the amount of \$780.65. The Chinese Famine Fund, subscribed by the W.A. for the Canadian diocese, Honan, amounted to \$331. It was very quickly raised in the diocese and forwarded at once to Bishop White. The president wished to thank the women of the diocese for their ready response, especially the branches of whom twenty had sent in immediate contributions. The united thank-offering now amounts to \$690, which it is hoped will be

increased before presentation. This fund is for the payment, equipment, and education of missionaries; it is one in which all the dioceses unite, and must be sent in this year by the beginning of September. Greetings from the W.A., Huron Diocese, to Montreal, was conveyed by Mrs. Waller. The Dean of Montreal conducted the devotional service at noon. The afternoon session commenced with the reading of correspondence. Letters were read from Miss Ewart, in charge of the orphanage at Bangalore, acknowledging the gift of \$25. Mrs. Evans' life-membership fee; from Dr. Ronald Walker, physician in charge of the hospital at Fu Kuen, China, tendering thanks for the support of a cot by the W.A. The junior secretary reported that the junior branches had sent in a contribution to the Chinese Famine Fund, (\$13.50); had increased their pledge from \$35 to \$50 for the McKenzie River candidate, and that the junior bales in both value and quality were superior to those they contributed last year; a most encouraging report of young enthusiasm in a good cause. A set of fair linen from St. John the Evangelist, was acknowledged from St. Anne de Bellevue. The sum needed for a pocket communion service at Lakefield was subscribed during the session in response to an appeal from the Bishop. The Rock Bay Hospital subscription has now reached \$124, which will cover the cost of a room with two cots in it, and will be known as M.D.W.A. room. The Indian children at Onion Lake have sent a subscription of \$12 to the "Bird's Nest," China. The librarian reported the gift of two new books, on China and Japan respectively, donated by Miss Thornton. The Dorcas secretary reported the shipping of eleven bales, five boxes of groceries, and two rolls of carpet; they were sent to Hay River, Fort Simpson, Fort Norman and Moosonee. Several valuable outfits were included in some of the bales. Mrs. Ferrabee read a most interesting account of the missionary labours of the Rev. E. J. Peck, in the Far North.

afternoon of May 10th. The opening address was held in the Synod Hall on the afternoon of May 10th. The opening address was given by the Rev. H. M. Little, rector of the Church of the Advent. The minutes of the last Montreal quarterly were then read by the recording-secretary, confirmed and carried. The president, Mrs. Holden, in a few well-chosen sentences, gave the reasons for the establishment of the first quarterly meeting of the diocese, and why it was continued. An address by Mrs. Wheeler followed, on the subject, "Work among the Ainu," which embraces the Diocese of Hokkaido, the most northerly mission in Japan. The W.A. Chinese Famine Fund has now reached in the Montreal Diocese \$365, and is still growing. A vote of thanks was moved by Miss Wand, seconded by Mrs. Evrette, to Mr. Little, and also one moved by Mrs. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Farthing, and Mrs. Wheeler, for their special addresses. At the close of the meeting the Church of the Advent Branch of the W.A. entertained the members at tea.



ONTARIO.

Kingston.—The Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Ontario have secured a handsome Communion set, which they will present, in loving memory of the late Mrs. Forneri, to the Anglican Cathedral at Prince Rupert, which is the ecclesiastical capital of the Diocese of Caledonia, of which Bishop Du Vernet is the diocesan. The chalice, paten and bread box are of solid silver, and the first two named are lined with gold. On the base of the chalice is engraved, "For the Glory of God. In loving memory of Jessie A. Forneri, treasurer of the Ontario Woman's Auxiliary, 1907-1910." On the other side is a Maltese Cross. On the paten and bread box is engraved, "In memory of J. A. F." The set is contained in a weather-stained oak box lined with satin.

St. James'.—The annual meeting of this Branch of the W.A. was held in the parochial school house on Wednesday afternoon, April 26th, at three o'clock. The vicar conducted the opening service. Miss Stamford, a missionary in India, gave an interesting address. The president, Mrs. Gwillim, took charge of the business part of the meeting. Mrs. A. E. Cogswell, secretary, presented her report, which was most satisfactory. Mrs. W. Tilley, treasurer, reported, showing the receipts to be \$151 and a balance in hand of over \$13. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Miss Rogers; 1st vice-presi-

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dent, Mrs. S. McCormack; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Francis King; recording secretary, Mrs. A. E. Cogswell; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Savary; treasurer, Mrs. Tilley; mite box secretary, Miss K. Wilson; leaflet secretary, Mrs. Partridge; Dorcas secretaries, Mrs. George Crawford and Miss Copley; superintendent of the Girls' Auxiliary, Miss L. Kirkpatrick; superintendent of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary, Miss K. Wilson; delegates to the annual meeting to be held in Napance in June, Mrs. F. Welch; substitute, Mrs. Savary.

Belleville.—Christ Church.—The annual meeting of the Girls' Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of this church was held in the Parish Hall, on Monday, May 8th. The reports of the past year's work were satisfactory to those present. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Mrs. Harry Ross; hon. superintendent, the Rev. R. C. Blagrove; president, Miss Jennie Bishop; secretary, Miss Maude Bowyer; treasurer, Miss Minnie Diamond; organist, Miss Florence Henthorn; delegate to annual convention, Miss Myrtle Bowyer.

OTTAWA.

Ottawa.—Christ Church Cathedral branch of the Woman's Auxiliary held its 14th annual meeting in the Lauder Memorial Hall, the president Mrs. George Greene in the chair. The secretary's report showed that there were 135 paid-up members in the branch and 9 life members. The Dorcas secretary reported that two bales have been sent out. The amount spent on Dorcas work was \$67.10. The treasurer's report showed the total receipts to be \$520.40; total expenses \$513.77. Splendid reports were given from the babies and the juniors. There are 54 babies, the receipts from them being \$27.90. The junior branch from various sources has realized \$115.27. Receipts from the Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund were \$311.63. The election of officers resulted as follows: President Mrs. George Greene; 1st vice-president Mrs. Montzambert; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Holmes; general secretary, Mrs. Frederick Hamilton; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Arthur Lindsay; literature secretary, Miss C. Wicksteed; Leaflet secretary, Miss Bishop; box secretary, Mrs. Buckman; babies' branch, Mrs. Emo; treasurer Extra-Cent-a-Day, Mrs. H. P. Wright; treasurer, Mrs. Frederick Anderson; delegates to the annual diocesan, Mrs. Montzambert, Mrs. Anderson; substitutes, Mrs. Robinson and Miss B. Sharpe.

St. John's.—The annual meeting of this Branch of the W.A. was held on a recent Tuesday evening. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Hon. president, Mrs. Pollard; president, Mrs. Morris; first vice-president, Mrs. Capp; second vice-president, Mrs. Doney; secretary, Mrs. George; treasurer, Miss Grist; Dorcas secretary, Miss Cushing; literature secretary, Mrs. Thompson; box secretary, Mrs. Johnston; treasurer Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund, Mrs. Code; secretary-treasurer, babies' branch, Mrs. Wiltshire; representative on the diocesan board, Mrs. Johnston; parochial committee, Mrs. Capp, Mrs. Popham and Miss Forsyth; delegates to annual meeting, Mrs. Wade and Mrs. George; substitutes, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Wilson. Reports for the past year were read, and showed the branch to be in a flourishing condition. The receipts were \$100 in excess of the year previous.

St. Alban's.—This Branch of the W.A. held its annual meeting last week. The total receipts for the year had been \$116.38; expenditure, \$113.88. A girl's outfit had been sent to the Victoria Home at Piegan Reserve. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:—Hon. President, Mrs. Bogert; president, Mrs. Edward Farrar; 1st vice-president, Mrs. James Patterson; 2nd vice-president, Miss Hay; secretary, Mrs. W. J. Code; treasurer, Mrs. W. Lett; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. John Graham; literature secretary, Mrs. McCullough; box secretary, Mrs. Ernest Jarvis; babies' branch, Mrs. Reiffenstein; delegates to the diocesan annual, Mrs. W. Lett and Mrs. Ernest Jarvis; substitutes, Mrs. Reiffenstein and Mrs. Davidson.

St. George's.—This branch of the W.A. held its annual meeting last week. Reports of the various secretaries and treasurer were given. The Dorcas secretary reported that three bales had been prepared and sent out, also contributions of knitted socks and scarves to the general bale, for the lepers. These bales were valued at \$69.33. There were very satisfactory reports from the Girls' Branch of the Juniors. The treasurer's report gave the total receipts to be \$247.23, ex-

penses \$231.07. The officers for the ensuing year are:—Hon. president, Mrs. Snowden; president, Mrs. Tilton; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Craig; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. J. B. Fraser; treasurer, Mrs. W. P. Anderson; secretary, Mrs. R. D. Baker; literature secretary, Mrs. W. Bishop; babies' branch, Mrs. Carden Cousins; box secretary, Miss Jeffries; Extra-Cent-a-Day secretary, Miss Nicholson; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Dowsley. In the evening there was an illustrated lecture by Miss Shaw, showing some very beautiful slides of Osaki, the city where Miss Shaw's work chiefly lies, and an address upon Honan, China, by Mr. Craig.

Grace Church.—At the annual meeting of the W.A., very satisfactory reports were presented by the various secretaries. The Dorcas secretary reported two bales having been sent to the Shingwauk home, valued at \$48.36; also contributions to a general bale. The total receipts for the year were \$160.44; expenses, \$143.16. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:—Honorary presidents, the Rev. J. F. Gorman and Mrs. Gorman; president, Mrs. Gorrell; 1st vice-president, Miss Whitcher; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. C. W. Mitchell; secretary, Mrs. W. Bowie; treasurer, Mrs. Linegar; literature secretary, Mrs. Martin; Dorcas secretary, Miss Sara Whitcher. Delegates to diocesan annual, Mrs. Martin and Miss Whitcher; substitutes, Mrs. Smythe and Mrs. Mitchell.

Ottawa East.—The Trinity Church branch received satisfactory reports at the annual meeting, showing much effective work accomplished. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Honorary president, Mrs. Cawdron; president, Mrs. Trowbridge; first vice-president, Mrs. C. W. Winter; second vice-president, Mrs. Lumley; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Isaac Johnson; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Cockburn; Leaflet secretary, Miss Ivy Johnson; secretary of the Extra-Cent-a-Day, Mrs. A. Parks; flower fund secretary, Mrs. Fred. Ferguson; secretary of the babies' branch, Mrs. W. Wright.

TORONTO.

Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Toronto.—The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, held from Wednesday, May 3rd, to Saturday, May 6th, was the occasion of the celebrating of the twenty-fifth anniversary, of the founding of the Society. The meeting commenced with a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. James' Church, at which the Lord Bishop of Toronto was the celebrant, and the Rev. A. P. Shatford, of Montreal, preached a very earnest sermon, on "Motives for Missionary Work," from the text, "As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." About seven hundred communicants attended the service. In the afternoon, the business session commenced in Association Hall, McGill Street. The important event of the afternoon was the farewell address of Miss Tilley, who was retiring from the position of president; after having held that office for eight years. Miss Tilley has been on the Diocesan Executive for twenty years. The retiring president extended greetings to the missionaries, and delegates present, then gave a short review of the growth of the Auxiliary, during the quarter of a century, since its organization. During its first year \$321 was raised for missions, but during the year, which has just closed, the amount was \$26,000. The increased size of the diocesan library, and the use made of it, and the larger circulation of "The Leaflet," showed the increased interest in missionary literature. The total membership of the W.A. Senior, Junior, and Babies' Branches, is 9,452. Miss Tilley referred to the fact, that Mrs. Willoughby Cummings is the only member of the original executive, still on the executive committee. The reports from the diocesan officers showed a gratifying growth in all branches of the work. Miss M. Campbell, recording secretary, reported 136 womans', and 50 girls' branches; an increase of 5, over last year. There are 6,600 senior members, and 491 life members; 44 of that number having been enrolled during the year. The corresponding secretary, Miss E. F. Jones, gave some interesting information about the places where the W.A. pledge money is used. The Rev. J. Leigh, North Cobalt, and the Rev. B. Fuller, Shingwauk Home, are both doing splendid work. At the Blackfoot Home, things are at a standstill, waiting for the Government to provide a new building. In the Blackfoot Hospital over 500 cases were treated during the

year. A fine large operating room has been added to the hospital at Lytton. The work among the Chinese and Japanese in Vancouver and Victoria is being looked after by two Chinese catechists. Miss Jones was glad to say that the much-needed money for the Zenana "Medical Society of the Church of England," was rapidly coming in. The treasurer, Mrs. George Webster, presented the general financial statement for the year. The receipts were \$13,864.77; expenditure \$13,032.47. The grand total, including balances, made up a sum of \$19,627.61. In the Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund the receipts amounted to \$1,945.85, an increase of \$207.60 over last year. 81 branches contributed to this fund; and eighteen missionary objects have been helped from it. The report of the Dorcas work, presented by Mrs. Wm. Clarke, showed that 242½ bales, and 30 parcels, had been sent to missions during the year. They were valued at \$6,549.61. Church, hospital, and other furnishings, amounted to \$1,636.28. Miss M. Middleton, secretary-treasurer Junior Department, reported 50 junior branches, with a membership of 2,021. Receipts for the year, \$1,472.99. Bishop White's appeal for help to raise money to build a girl's school in the Diocese of Honan, China, had met with a liberal response; the children in Toronto diocese alone having contributed \$101.89. Miss Alice Lea, secretary-treasurer, literature, reported that a number of new books, (some of them valuable gift books), had been added to the library, and a much greater interest had been taken in missionary reading. 516 books were taken out of the lending library during the year. On Wednesday evening, the Girls' Branches had a very crowded enthusiastic meeting. Two most interesting papers were read, the first, entitled, "Why am I an Auxiliary Girl?" written by a member of St. Matthew's Girls' Branch; the other written by a member of the Collingwood Girls' Branch, on "The Best Methods of Obtaining New Members." Prizes for answers to "Missionary Questions" were awarded to: 1st, St. Paul's Girls' Branch; 2nd, St. Simon's Branch. The Davidson Memorial prize was awarded to Collingwood Girls' Branch. The Rev. A. P. Shatford was the speaker at this meeting. He gave a most stirring, inspiring address on "Service." On Thursday morning the reports of the diocesan officers were continued. Mrs. Philip Dykes, secretary-treasurer Parochial Missionary Collections, reported \$2,804.27 for diocesan missions. There are 36 missions, in which are 110 mission stations, where regular services are held in Toronto Diocese, with a staff of 36 missionaries. Arrangements are being made to increase the staff to 44. The Secretary-Treasurer Babies' Branch, Mrs. Plews, reported a membership of 567, an increase of 162, over last year. Amount contributed during year, \$170. Mrs. Clougher, secretary-treasurer "Leaflet" circulation, reported 4,236 subscribers, an increase of 176 over last year. Mrs. George Jarvis, convener of Hospital Committee, reported 170 visits made to sick members, and gifts of fruit and flowers. Several important changes were made in the constitution. 1st.—A secretary-treasurer of Babies' Branch is to be appointed in each parish, where there are any Babies' Branch members. 2nd.—The secretary-treasurer of Babies' Branch is to be a member of the Parochial Executive. 3rd.—Miss Tilley was made a permanent member of the Executive of the Toronto Diocesan Board. The Lord Bishop of Toronto gave a very helpful devotional address, on the text, "Consider Him, who left us an example, that we should follow His steps." On Thursday afternoon the announcement of the result of the election for president was made. Miss Mabel Cartwright was elected by a large majority. After introducing the new president, Miss Tilley caused much amusement by remarking that it was not the first time a Cartwright had succeeded a Tilley. The Rev. Canon Gould, General Secretary of the M.S.C.C., and Mr. R. A. Allen, the newly appointed Assistant General Secretary, both gave short addresses. Mrs. Allan Adams read a most original paper on, "What the Children Can Do," and Mrs. Willoughby Cummings gave an intensely interesting address on "Step by Step," in which she traced the growth of the society in Canada, during the past 25 years. The W.A. was started by Mrs. Tilton, of Ottawa, with a membership of eight or ten, the membership now numbers 40,000. The first meeting of the organization in Toronto was held in St. James school-house, in 1886. This diocese could claim the distinction of starting several important features of W.A. work. It first proposed the idea of having life members, and also introduced the Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund. "The Leaflet" was also started in this diocese. It began with a circulation of 525; in 1910 there were 15,350 sub-

scribers. From the small beginning the W.A. has grown, until the life members' fees alone have brought in \$34,000 for missionary purposes. Prizes for answers to "Questions on Missionary Subjects" were awarded to the senior branches. 1st prize, St. Mary Magdalene, Toronto, and Orillia, (equal); 2nd prize, Church of the Ascension, Toronto. At the Thursday evening session, Mrs. Plumpre gave an excellent address on "The Modern Missionary Outlook." Announcement was made of the disposal of the various funds. The life members' fees, amounting to \$1,125, were divided as follows:—\$565 to the Girls' School, Diocese Honan, China; \$290 to the parsonage at Stewart, Diocese Caledonia; \$270 to Emmanuel College, Diocese Saskatchewan. The interest on the E. M. Williamson Memorial Fund, amounting to \$238, was given to the church at Grande Prairie, Diocese of Athabasca. The interest on the E. M. Williamson Memorial Fund, amounting to \$224, was given to the hospital at Rock Bay, Diocese of Columbia. The 25th Anniversary Thank-offering, amounting to about \$1,600, after deducting \$200 for a special purpose, was divided as follows:—\$230 to Emmanuel College, Saskatchewan, which, with the \$270 given from the life members' fees, will make up the \$500 asked for to build a room in the college. The balance will be devoted to building a hostel at Athabasca Landing for the accommodation of missionaries travelling through that part of the country. On Friday morning, the balances on hand were disposed of. The treasurer's balance amounting to \$340.36, was divided; \$50 to church at Ichinomia, Japan, (for furnishings); \$100 to Miss Slade, Fort Vermilion, Athabasca; \$100 to church at Matsumota, Japan; \$90.36 to Mr. De Lom, Hali-burton, for lantern and slides. The Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund for April, amounting to \$122.46, was given to the Arctic Mission to buy a stove and a lantern and slides. The balances in junior department were divided, \$39.22 being given to Bishop White, for the relief of famine children in Honan, China, and \$22.78 to Lytton Hospital, to buy a wheel chair. The receipts in the Babies' Branch, amounting to \$170, were divided as follows:—\$20 for support of child in Bird's Nest Home, China; \$40 for support of boy in school at Lesser Slave Lake; \$30 to Miss Strickland, India, for work among children; \$30 for orphanage in Honan, China; \$50 for Shingwauk Home, Algoma. On Friday afternoon several missionaries gave short addresses. Mr. Braughton, who leaves shortly to take Mr. Flemming's place in the Arctic Mission, told very interestingly of his former experiences in the Arctic. Other speakers were; Miss Harris, Cairo, Egypt; Miss Louie Thomas, South America; Miss Bennett, Lesser Slave Lake; Mrs. Patterson Hall, president, General Board. Other general officers who spoke were, Miss Bogart, corresponding secretary; Miss Halson, Mrs. Willoughby Cummings, Miss Cartwright, secretary-treasurer of literature, spoke with deep appreciation of the work done in the literature department, by the late Mrs. Davidson. Mrs. Leather, president of the W.A. in Niagara Diocese, brought greetings from her Diocesan Board. The election of the new officers for the coming year took place, and resulted as follows:—Hon. president, Mrs. Sweeny; hon. vice-president, Mrs. Plumpre; president, Miss Cartwright; 1st vice-president, Mrs. W. Cummings; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Reeve; corresponding secretary, Miss E. F. Jones; recording secretary, Miss N. Campbell; treasurer, Mrs. George Webster; convener Junior Department, Mrs. Forsyth Grant; secretary-treasurer, Junior Department, Miss M. Middleton; treasurer, Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund, Mrs. Bigwood; convener Dorcas Committee, Mrs. Banks; secretary-treasurer Dorcas Committee, Mrs. W. Clarke; convener Literature Committee, Mrs. Langton; secretary-treasurer Literature Committee, Miss A. Lea; secretary-treasurer P. M. Collections, Mrs. Philip Dykes; secretary-treasurer Babies' Branch, Mrs. Plews. A very earnest devotional address was given by Miss Cartwright, the newly-elected president, on the text, "Them that are far off, and them that are nigh." At the close of the afternoon meeting, Mrs. Sweeny, on behalf of the members of the W.A. in Toronto Diocese, presented Miss Tilley with an illuminated address, and a purse of gold. Miss Tilley replied with words of appreciation for the loyalty and support of her fellow-workers in the cause of missions. A public missionary thanksgiving service was held in St. James' Cathedral on Friday evening. The service was fully choral, and the preacher, the Rev. Canon Gould, gave a very impressive address, from the text, "Write the vision, and make it plain upon stone, that he may run, that readeth it." The final meeting of the convention was the annual gathering of Junior Branches on

Saturday afternoon. An excellent programme of dialogues was given by children from several city branches; Miss Barker, a missionary from Moosonee, gave a very interesting address; and the certificates and W.A. badges were presented. The collection at this meeting amounting to \$39.01, was devoted to buying an organ for the church at Shaftsbury, Peace River District.

NIAGARA.

Hamilton.—In consequence of the election of a Bishop taking place on the 2nd of May, it was decided to hold the monthly meeting of the Diocesan W.A. on the 26th April in St. Luke's Church. The Holy Communion was celebrated at 10 a.m., the business meeting being held in the Sunday school at 10.45. The rector being present, read the opening prayers. His address was on "The Scope of the Work." He spoke from three texts, viz.: "Launch out into the deep" and "At Thy word I let down into the deep," and "Blessed are they who sow beside all waters." These texts are chosen because so many of the people our Lord addressed lived beside the water and would know what poor results came from fishing in shallow water, where the fish were small and not as plentiful as in the deep. "Launch out into the deep," was given at the beginning of His ministry and the last one was given after His resurrection. These are ventures of faith; if the towns will not accept, go further afield, be bold and venturesome; follow the example of business men and risk a little. We all hear a great deal of the need of missionary work at home, but still we must venture into the foreign field, "launch out into the deep," better fish in deep waters take greater risk, the reward will be greater. Mrs. Burns then read some selections from a review of Anglican missions throughout the world. Our own North-West Indians, when converted and not thrown in contact with a degraded class of white people, make good Christians. 200 miles north of Quebec there are a tribe of Indians, most of whom are devoted members of the Church of England; they meet yearly at this spot and bring in the result of their winter hunting; the missionary is always ready to receive them, and while in camp they meet daily for religious instruction, they each bring one skin as their offering to the support of the church. On one occasion a boy who had only caught one animal during the winter refused to sell the skin, although it was most valuable, saying, "No, this is all I have and I must offer it to God." These Indians while away from their church have daily prayer and a portion of Scriptures read to them in their own tongue. In Central Africa, where Bishop Hannington was murdered, Bishop Tucker now knows of 65,000 baptized Christians, and Bishop Hannington's son had the happiness of baptizing the son of one of his father's murderers. In Japan there are 50,000 Christians; in India thousands have shown themselves ready to accept the Word of God. Of the Chinese a Bishop says, once convince them of the truth of the Gospel and nothing will turn them from their faith in Jesus Christ. This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our Faith. The recording secretary read last month's report, which was confirmed. Two new life members have been added to our ranks during the past month, Miss Jemima Bale, directress of the cathedral juniors, and Mrs. Henderson, of the Ascension Branch. Dorcas secretary reported 6 bales sent off during the past month, expenditure on the same, \$152.81; church

furnishings, \$15.90. Literature committee report 22 new subscribers for the Leaflet; all books now out from the missionary library must be at once returned. Missionary Sunday school meeting will be held at St. Catharines, beginning June 27th; it is hoped many will attend; for further information apply to Miss Slater, corresponding secretary, Jackson St. W., Hamilton. Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund has a balance on hand of \$70. Babies' branch report 295 members. The secretary is anxious for five more to make up 300 before the annual meeting in June. Treasurer reported receipts of \$230.85; expenditure, \$150. Letters of sympathy with the diocese on the loss of their Bishop were read from Toronto, Rupert's Land, and Ontario dioceses. A letter from Miss Henderson was read, who wants a teacher and kitchen help that will not be too extravagant. Thanks from Shelbrooke, Sask., for the organ sent them. A resolution was moved to ask "That an isolated room or house be provided in Indian schools for sick children." It was also moved that the name of General Board of Management, be changed to Dominion Board, as conveying more fully the idea it is intended to convey. These two motions were to be forwarded to the general provincial secretary. Several branches, in reply to a question from the president, said the Thankoffering receipts were most encouraging. The meeting closed with the Doxology.

RUPERT'S LAND.

Winnipeg.—Holy Trinity.—This branch of the W.A. held its annual meeting on the 25th ult. in the schoolroom, when the Ven. Archdeacon Fortin took the chair. In a brief introductory speech he referred to the important part played by women's societies in Church life, and spoke in particular of the inspiration the W.A. of Holy Trinity was to its church. Lady Schultz followed with an address in a similar vein, assuring the auxiliary of her continued interest and sympathy. Mrs. Boswell, the president, gave a review of the year's work, Mrs. M. M. Nesbitt, in the secretary's report, covering it in detail. Mrs. Nesbitt characterized the year as the most successful in the auxiliary's history. Increased responsibilities have been fully met, and the membership reached 102. Four bales of goods have been sent out and one Indian boy outfitted. The receipts for the year were \$278, and the expenditure \$237. Of the latter amount \$100 went to the organizing secretary, \$50 to the Dynevor hospital, \$25 to the parsonage fund, \$25 to the foreign mission fund. The officers elect are: Patroness, Lady Schultz; honorary president, Mrs. Fortin; honorary vice-president, Mrs. A. Strang; president, Mrs. Boswell; first vice-president, Mrs. Jeffery; second vice-president, Mrs. J. R. Bunn; secretary, M. M. Nesbitt; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. F. J. Brimer; treasurer, Mrs. J. C. Macnab; buyers, Mrs. S. A. Erskine and Mrs. Harris; superintendent of work, Mrs. Gannon; cutters, Mesdames MacWatt, Dagg, Bearsto and Erskine; leaflet secretary, Mrs. Inglis; mite box secretary, Mrs. M. Miller; delegates to diocesan meeting, Mesdames Nesbitt, Monkhouse, and Mooney. On motion of Mrs. Fortin, Mrs. T. Gilroy and Mrs. C. H. Cording were made honorary members of the auxiliary, in recognition of their services in the interests of the society.

Morden.—At a meeting held in this place lately, representatives from the various branches of the W.A. in the rural deanery of Pembina came together to organize a deanery W.A. Mrs. Fortin, the diocesan president, and Miss Millidge, the organizing secretary, were also present. Mrs. Piggott, president of the Morden W.A., presided over the meetings, and Mrs. Speechly, Pilot Mound, was elected secretary. Mrs. Garrett, Morden, gave an address of welcome to the delegates, to which Mrs. Armstrong, Manitou, replied. Interesting papers were read by Mrs. Fortin on "Pledges," Mrs. Kerby on "Indian Missions," Mrs. Rowe on "The Objects and Duties of a W.A.," Mrs. Jardine on "Direct Giving," Mrs. Strong on "China," Mrs. Spencer on "W.A. Work," Mrs. Speechly on "Our Responsibilities," Miss Millidge on her experiences. At the social on the Wednesday evening two lectures were given, with lantern illustrations by Mrs. Fortin on "Honan," and by Miss Millidge on "China." On the Thursday afternoon a deanery report in tabulated form was presented by a committee and unanimously adopted by the meeting. A farewell session was held on Thursday evening and on Friday morning the delegates returned home after spending a most delightful time. The Morden W.A. are greatly to be congratulated on the success of this first deanery meeting.

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COLUMBIA.

Victoria.—The sixth annual meeting of Christ Church Cathedral branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to missions took place on Monday, April 24th, upwards of 40 members being present. The Very Rev. Dean of Columbia occupied the chair. Reports were read, showing how satisfactory the year's work had been. The dean gave an encouraging address, dwelling at length on the needs of the Columbia Coast Mission and urging the members of the W.A. to read more missionary literature. The treasurer's report showed receipts to be \$800.09, and expenditures \$694.37, leaving a balance in hand of \$111.02. The Dorcas work of the branch was particularly good, bales being sent to the C. C. mission ship, Mr. Vale's mission school at Hay river, the Indian school at Alert Bay, and to Saanich and Cumberland. After the meeting adjourned tea was served by the committee in charge.

St. John's.—The annual meeting of this branch of the W.A. was held on the afternoon of the 25th ult., in St. John's Hall, Herald Street. A pleasant feature of the gathering was the presentation to Miss Woods by Rev. Percival Jenks, rector of St. John's, of a life membership on the Diocesan Board as a mark of appreciation of her many years of useful work in the parish. Miss Woods was also the recipient from the congregation and the W.A. members, of a framed life membership certificate and the Winchester gold cross (badge of the W.A.) with her initials and the date engraved on the back. Mrs. Burns pinned on the badge and Mrs. R. H. Walker presented Miss Woods with a beautiful bouquet of rose carnations. The recipient was completely taken by surprise and, in a few words, expressed her great appreciation of the honour done her. Mrs. Toller, the organizing secretary, gave a most interesting address on mission work, and was followed by Miss Murray Thain, who spoke on "The Babies' Branch of the Mission Work." The officers elected were: President, Mrs. R. H. Walker; treasurer, Mrs. Randall; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Sanborn; recording secretary, Mrs. T. Walker; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Norrish; C. C. M. secretary, Miss Coates; leaflet-secretary, Miss E. Woods; literature secretary, Mrs. A. L. Burns. Mrs. Burns, who is retiring after five years work as president, was elected honorary president. The Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard, the curate, opened the meeting with prayer, took the chair during the election of officers, and dismissed the gathering with prayer and the Doxology.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS

NEWFOUNDLAND.

L. L. Jones, D.D., Bishop, St. Johns, Newfoundland.

St. John's.—The annual vestry meeting of the cathedral parish took place on the 24th ult. On motion of the Hon. S. D. Blandford, the retiring people's warden, Mr. George Davey was nominated to the position and unanimously elected. Mr. Herbert Outerbridge was appointed rector's warden. For St. Michael's Church, Mr. Chaffey was elected people's warden and Mr. Snow appointed rector's; delegates to Synod, W. B. Greene, G. Davey.

NOVA SCOTIA.

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

Stellarton.—Christ Church.—The Rev. Maurice Taylor, rector of this church, has been presented with a cassock, surplice and stole by members of his congregation. The articles were imported specially from England, and a deputation of the members of his congregation waited upon the rector at his home, where an enjoyable evening was spent. The presentation was made by Dr. Clarence Miller. This estimable rector is recognized as a splendid type of the Christian gentleman, both in secular and religious work, by the citizens of Stellarton.

QUEBEC.

Andrew H. Dunn, D.D., Bishop, Quebec, P.Q.
Walter Farrar, D.D., Assistant Bishop.

Grand Mère.—St. Stephen's.—During the past year this church has been the recipient of several gifts, among which were a white stole for use upon festivals, the gift of Mrs. L. Armstrong, a communicant of the parish. The stole is worked in heavy gold Eucharistic embroidery, and set with stones. It was her own work. Mr. Wilson, the lay delegate to the Synod, also presented the church with a very handsome pair of glass flagons with heavy silver mountings.

MONTREAL.

John Cragg Farthing, D.D., Bishop, Montreal.

Montreal.—A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Montreal was held on the 9th inst., in the Synod Library, there being present the Lord Bishop and a full attendance of both clerical and lay members. After the transaction of the ordinary business, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by a standing vote:—"That this Committee, having learned with deep regret of the passing away from the Church militant of the Ven. James Burrows Davidson, M.A., D.C.L., late Archdeacon of Bedford, and rector emeritus of St. Armand East, desires to place on record its sense of the loss sustained by the Church in this diocese by his death, and also an expression of its deep sympathy with the members of his bereaved family, and its trust that the All Merciful will afford them grace to bear in proper sort the trial entailed upon them by their loss. As one of God's good priests, an ever faithful missionary, a zealous guardian and promoter of the faith once for all delivered to the saints, an admired and veteran educator of the Church's youth, a warm, loving personality, a scholar of conspicuous depth and refinement, a true if quiet leader of the Church's thought and tradition, the late Archdeacon of Bedford will be sorely missed in the councils of the Synod, and while the Canadian Church will truly mourn for him, we rejoice to have had before us, in him, for so many years, a sterling example of a keen Christian apologist and 'fidei defensor' and a humble servant and disciple of the Lord into whose illimitable joy may God grant him to have entered. And, further, be it resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of our deceased brother, with a prayer that they may be sustained by the Father of all consolation and comfort."

Phillipsburg.—St. Paul's.—The adjourned vestry of this church met on the 5th, and W. Smith and J. Ferris were elected wardens, and Geo. Bradley secretary-treasurer. The accounts showed a balance to the good of \$20. The Rev. Henry Severs, who has been here since Feb., has left, resigning his temporary charge of the church to the new rector, who has come into residence. The vestry of Pigeon Hill met on the 4th, and B. Tillemore and Victor Jenkins were elected wardens.

Lacolle.—St. Saviour's.—The funeral of Mr. E. A. O'Connor took place on the 26th ult. The deceased, who for many years had been an active worker in the church, both as a member of the choir and as a teacher in the Sunday school, was held in great esteem by his fellow Churchmen and Churchwomen, and there was a large attendance at the funeral. Five years ago both he and his family removed to Prescott, Ont., but the body was brought here for interment.

Iberville.—Trinity.—The Lord Bishop of the diocese visited this church on the 3rd inst. for the purpose of dedicating the handsome new altar lectern, and the prayer and reading desks. The Bishop was attended by the Rev. A. H. Moore, M.A., the rector of St. John's, who carried the pastoral staff. The Rev. W. O. Howard, the rector of the parish, intoned the prayers. The Bishop preached. The service throughout was most impressive.

St. John's.—St. James'.—The formal induction of the Rev. A. H. Mone, M.A., as the rector of this parish, took place on Tuesday evening, May 9th, in the parish church, the service being conducted by the Right Rev. Dr. Farthing, the Bishop of the diocese. The Rev. W. A. Howard, rector of Iberville, acted as chaplain. The sermon was preached by the Bishop. A large con-

gregation was present. At the conclusion of the service the new rector received very hearty congratulations from many sources.

On the preceding Monday evening, the adjourned Easter vestry meeting took place in the Baldwin Hall, the Rev. A. H. Mone presiding. Wardens, J. B. Stewart, H. Black; delegates to Synod, Mr. E. R. Smith, Major Nelles; receipts, \$4,283.17; disbursements, \$4,418.63. At the termination of the official business before the chair, before the rector-elect was permitted to pronounce the Benediction, there was a brief intervention, and one vestryman after another arose and informally, but most heartily, extended a welcome to the parish of St. John's to the reverend rector-elect. The words of the different speakers were different, but the ideas travelled in parallel channels and the sentiments were the same. The reverend gentleman seemed momentarily taken aback by this unexpected tribute, but he was equal to the emergency, and his eloquent though brief acknowledgment gave one an idea of the breadth and depth of his scholarly mind. The meeting then adjourned.

Sutton Junction.—St. Aidan's.—The adjourned vestry meeting was held on May 1st. Wardens, W. H. Emerson, J. Delmare; delegates to Synod, E. Farmer, J. Delmare.

Weir.—Church of the Redeemer.—Wardens, W. Meredith Heward, R. Williams. It was decided to purchase a new organ without delay, and also to complete the work on the interior of the church.

Bondville.—Church of the Good Shepherd.—Wardens, J. R. Gillam, C. McClay.

Farnham.—St. James'.—The adjourned vestry meeting took place on the 24th ult. Wardens, A. E. Gough, I. B. Garton; delegates to Synod, A. E. Gough, F. F. Brown.

Mansonville.—St. Paul's.—Wardens, E. Shepard, N. F. McKay; delegates to Synod, Col. Burland, Mr. G. H. Carter.

Iron Hill.—Holy Trinity.—Wardens, E. Beard, D. Taylor; delegates to Synod, D. Taylor, A. Robertson, Montreal.

ONTARIO.

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

Kingston.—At the funeral of the late Dr. R. V. Rogers, the service was taken by the Rev. T. W. Savary, the vicar of St. James', assisted by the Lord Bishop of the diocese, and the sentences of committal at the grave were pronounced by the vicar also.

Pictou.—A meeting of the United Chapters of Hastings and Prince Edward, and of the B. of O. Clerical Union was held in the Parish House in Pictou, Tuesday afternoon, May 9th. The meeting was called to order at 3 p.m. After devotional exercises the subject of parochial reports and assessment was taken up and discussed. The Rev. A. H. Creegan read a very interesting paper on the 20th chapter, 1 to 10, of Revelation. Mr. Allin gave a short address on mission work. At 8 p.m., a short service was conducted by the Revs. Rural Deans Armstrong and Beamish, after which Mr. Allin gave a most lucid and interesting address on Canada. The speaker gave a description of conditions, particularly in the great North-West, and the state of the Church of England there. He fully impressed his hearers with the great work God has committed to the Church, and urged his hearers to take a deeper interest in it. After speaking for about an hour he answered many questions asked by those present.

On Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock there was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the parish church. Mr. Creegan's paper was discussed very fully at the Wednesday morning session.

Wednesday afternoon the elections of the Bay of Quinte Clerical Union took place as follows:—President, the Rev. A. H. Creegan, Deseronto; secretary-treasurer, the Rev. W. E. Kidd, Napanee; executive committee, the Rev. R. C. Blagrave, Belleville; the Rev. Rural Dean Beamish, Belleville; the Rev. Rural Dean Armstrong, Trenton. Thursday the Rev. R. C. Blagrave read a paper on the subject: "Notes on the Apostolic Fathers," which was much appreciated.

In the afternoon an address was given by the Rev. T. W. Savary, of Kingston. There was a social gathering of the clergy and the congregation of St. Mary Magdalene's Church last night in the Parish House. The Bay of Quinte Clerical Union will meet in Trenton next autumn.

Cataraqui.—A meeting of the Rural Deanery of Frontenac was held last week at the residence of the Rev. Rural Dean Elliott, at this place. Those present were the Very Rev. the Dean of Ontario, Canon Grout, Canon Starr, the Rev. T. W. Savary, the Rev. J. Elliott, the Rev. W. Cox, Wolfe Island, and the Rev. A. H. McGreer, Bath. General business of the diocese was transacted. A special service was held last night in Christ Church, at which the Rev. W. Cox, of Wolfe Island, preached a very eloquent sermon.

OTTAWA

Charles Hamilton, D.D., Archbishop, Ottawa.

Ottawa.—Mission Sunday in Ottawa (April 30th), was marked by a splendid enthusiasm throughout the city, services in all the churches being very largely attended, and sermons of exceptional force and interest delivered. The list of speakers has been already given in these columns and the arrangements were carried out practically as planned. A notable addition to the original programme was a mass meeting in the afternoon in the Russell Theatre, attended by about 1,000 persons, and addressed by the Bishops of Fredericton and Montreal. Mr. R. L. Borden, M.P., presided, and among the many notable clerics on the platform were His Grace the Archbishop of Ottawa, and the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Algoma. It was an inspiring gathering, significant of the wonderful change in public sentiment towards the missionary work of the Church, for as one speaker remarked, a few years ago such a meeting would not have been possible and the man who would have ventured to suggest it would have been considered almost a fanatic. The missionary meetings on Monday evening, held simultaneously in St. George's and St. Matthew's parish halls, were also well attended.

All Saints.—A very satisfactory condition of affairs was reflected at the annual meeting of this church, and among other motions one was passed increasing the rector's salary by \$200. There was a large attendance, among those present being the Rev. A. W. Mackay, who acted as chairman, Messrs. D. M. Finnie, T. C. Bate, Judge Cassels, Cecil Bethune, E. E. Buck, W. W. Cory, R. E. Young, Col. J. W. Woods, J. J. Codville, G. E. Preston, William Northwood, the Rev. T. Garrett, J. W. Shore, George Duncan, B. Sloane and others. The rector's report showed there had been 43 baptisms, 16 weddings, 28 burials, 26 confirmations; the number of families in the parish was 320; number who communicated at Easter, 360; pastoral visits paid, 1,100; sermons and addresses in parish, 76; sermons and lectures in outside places, 80; the Rev. Dr. Paterson Smyth, of Montreal, has promised to give a ten days' service in the church next month. Mr. D. M. Finnie, the people's warden, presented the financial report. This showed the receipts the largest in the history of the church. Pew rents and offerings totalled \$7,927.95, and expenses \$7,657.40, leaving a balance of \$270.55 on the right side. On the motion of Justice Cassels and seconded by Col. J. W. Woods, the rector's salary was increased \$200 per annum. The delegates to the Synod appointed were Sir Henry Bate, I. M. Courtney, W. W. Cory. Messrs. D. M. Finnie and T. C. Bate were re-elected people's and rector's wardens respectively for the twelfth time.

TORONTO.

James Fielding Sweeny, D.D., Bishop.
William Day Reeve, D.D., Toronto.

Toronto.—Synod Office.—During the past week the Lord Bishop of Toronto has held Confirmations at the following churches:—St. Philip's, Toronto, candidates confirmed, 17; St. Matthias', Toronto, candidates confirmed, 29. Bishop Reeve has held confirmation at St. Clement's, Toronto; candidates confirmed, 28. He has also held confirmations at the following places in the Diocese of Niagara: Aldershot, Waterdown, Caledonia, St. Matthew's, Hamilton, Winona. The Bishop

has made the following appointments: The Rev. E. A. Langfeldt, M.A., Ph.D., to the parish of Innisfil; the Rev. F. J. Sawers, to the parish of St. Luke's, Peterborough; the Rev. F. S. Lewis, Assistant Curate, St. Thomas', Toronto; the Rev. J. F. Rounthwaite, Assistant Curate, St. John's, Norway; the Rev. A. J. Reid, Campbellford, appointed rural dean of Northumberland.

Grace Church.—The Rev. Canon Starr, of Kingston, has accepted the offer of this living and he will (D.V.) be inducted as rector of the parish by the Right Rev. Bishop Reeve, the assistant Bishop of the diocese, on the evening of Friday, June 2nd next.

Trinity College.—A new departure has been made in Trinity this year in the formation of a new society, known as the Theological Society. It is hoped that this society will include many from outside the walls of Trinity and may some day fill in Toronto the place which the Theological Society of Dublin University fills in that city. The first meeting was held on March 18th, when a paper was read by C. Paterson Smyth on "Orders and Unity," which was followed by prepared speeches from Messrs. Shore, Tippet, Mayes, after which discussions became general and proved exceedingly interesting. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presence of Dr. Paterson Smyth, Rural Dean Cayley, and Archdeacon Mackenzie, who also spoke, pointing out how important it was to retain episcopacy for the sake of the final unity of the Church. A second meeting was held on the evening of April 3rd. Mr. Hodson read a splendid paper on "Rites and Ceremonies," which was followed by speeches from Messrs. Rose, Streeter, and Bruce. Discussion then became general and the new society has reason to congratulate itself both in the interest shown and in the number, style and spirit of the speeches from the floor of the house. Among those present were the Provost, Dr. Boyle, Mr. Haire-Forster and Dr. Reich, the first two of whom addressed the meeting. A pleasing surprise and one, too, which we hope will lead much further was the presence of Mr. Swanson, of Wycliffe College, who also spoke briefly. The Chairman, Mr. Cosgrave, then called for nominations for the new executive and the voting resulted as follows: Honorary president, The Provost; honorary vice-presidents, the Professors and Lecturers in Divinity; president, J. H. Dixon, B.A.; secretary, C. Paterson Smyth, B.A.; committee, F. W. Colloton, G. F. Kingston, P. H. Streeter. In conclusion, we should like to mention once again the debt which the new society owes to Mr. Cosgrave, and we hope that it will not be long before we may be likewise indebted to all the members of the Divinity Faculty.

A special committee of the Toronto Ministerial Association reports recommending that Sunday, May 21st or 28th, be observed by the churches as a day of thanksgiving to God for the blessing of peace in the Empire, and a day for confession of national sins, with prayer that peace and goodwill may be increased among the nations. The observance of these days as a time of intercession for peace is commended to the churches throughout Canada.

St. Thomas.—A very pleasant and successful musical entertainment took place in the parish

house, under the auspices of the Girls' Branch of St. Thomas Guild, on Wednesday evening, the 10th instant. There was a large attendance and the various numbers on the programme were evidently greatly enjoyed by all who were present, judging from the amount of applause with which each one who took part in the evening's entertainment was greeted.

West Toronto.—St. John's.—The advisory board of this church met on the evening of the 9th, when it was decided that the new parish house and Sunday school will be built at the east instead of the west site of the church, as at first proposed. The new edifice will cost \$15,000, and it will be fully equipped with class rooms and all the requisites. A gymnasium will also be fitted up. The ground will be broken and building operations will be commenced very shortly.

Norway.—St. John's.—The Rev. J. F. Rounthwaite, who for some months past has been acting as assistant priest at St. Luke's, has been temporarily appointed assistant curate of this parish.

Havelock.—The fifty-fifth meeting of the rural deanery of Northumberland and Peterborough, was held in this place on Monday and Tuesday, May 1st and 2nd. There were fourteen clergy present:—Archdeacon Warren, Canon Davidson, A. J. Reid, E. W. Pickford, H. A. Ben Oliel, C. Carpenter, C. G. D. Browne, C. W. Holdsworth, W. Creswick, G. L. Gray, C. Lord, F. J. Sawers, Mr. Harris, of Marmora, and Dean Bidwell, of Kingston. After prayer the Greek Testament passage, 2 Timothy 2, was read and helpful comments were made. The Rev. Dr. Langfeldt having resigned from the office of rural dean, the Rev. A. J. Reid, of Campbellford, was elected to the office, and a committee was appointed to draft a suitable resolution in regard to the departure of Dr. Langfeldt from this deanery. After the business had been finished, the Rev. C. W. Holdsworth read a review of Denny's book, "The Atonement and the Modern Mind." This was followed by a general discussion. At the evening service in St. John's Church, Dean Bidwell was the special preacher. His address on John the Baptist, based on St. Matthew xi. 7-9, was an inspiration to clergy and people alike. On Tuesday morning there was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 o'clock, and at the morning session. Dean Bidwell read a paper on "The Miraculous Element in the Gospels." The paper was a careful study of the New Testament records, and gave a forceful and clear presentation of the subject. Considerable discussion followed. A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to Dean Bidwell for his excellent sermon and splendid paper. After the luncheon, the Rev. C. G. D. Browne gave a graphic description of some of his missionary experiences in the Solomon Islands. Brighton was agreed upon as the next place of meeting, but if the rural deanery should be divided in the meantime, Campbellford was chosen.

Georgina.—The Easter vestry meetings in this parish were of a highly satisfactory character, and the financial condition of the parish found to be very creditable, as there was a balance of \$150 for the two churches—St. George's and St. James'. The churchwardens elected for St. George's were Mr. Martyn Sibbald and Mr. Lake, and for St. James', Mr. Osborne and Mr. Francis. The Rev. F. M. Dean, M.A., was in the chair. According to the usual custom, the Easter services were held in St. James' Church, Sutton. There was early communion at 8 a.m.. All three services were well attended. Total number of communicants were 77 and the offertories amounted to about \$15. We are very pleased to record that very pleasant "Easter Egg" in the form of a cheque for \$50, was presented by the churchwardens to the rector, the Rev. F. M. Dean. Afternoon service was also held at Christ Church, Roches Point, 45 persons present, 15 communicants, and the offertory amounted to \$6.85. During the winter a class has been held on Saturday afternoons for the children of the congregation, their mothers also attending.

Lakefield.—St. John the Evangelist.—Just before the Rev. F. I. Sawers left the parish, in order to assume his new duties as the rector of St. Luke's, Ashburnham, the wardens waited upon him and presented him with the following address accompanied by a purse of gold: "The Rev. F. I. Sawers, M.A. Dear sir,—For the last year and eight months you have been pastor, priest and spiritual guide, and none could have

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Penetanguishene.—All Saints'.—The Right Reverend Dr. Reeve, Assistant Bishop of the diocese, visited this parish on Sunday, April 30, and administered the rite of Confirmation in this church. Fifteen were confirmed, two being from Elmvale. Among those who were confirmed was a former member of the Roman Communion, who had married a member of the Church, the ceremony having been performed by an Anglican clergyman in the city of Toronto. He was confirmed "after the Anglican Form" (which is the Apostolic) at his own request—this being his reply to the *ne temere* decree, which had not worked in this case as the Holy Father intended. During the afternoon, the Bishop visited St. Alban's at Randolph, and St. James'. He also kindly remained over on Monday and gave his deeply interesting lecture on "Experiences in Mackenzie River," which was profusely illustrated with lantern views, thanks to the Rev. E. F. Salmon, of Elmvale, who manipulated his own lantern. The evening proved very unfavourable and the attendance was thereby greatly reduced. Still, \$10 is available for St. Alban's Cathedral.

Shanty Bay.—St. Thomas'.—The annual vestry meeting was held on Easter Monday. The wardens presented a good report for the year, showing a healthy state of affairs, finances in good condition with a balance on the right side. Wardens, Col. O'Brien and John Wiggins; lay delegate, John Wiggins; delegate to Synod, W. O'Brien.

East Oro.—St. Mark's. —The wardens report showed all accounts paid up to date, including stipend. The congregation has reduced the debt on the church (\$600), to \$350, besides paying interest in full, and are arranging to pay another \$150 by the first of July, by personal subscription. It may be also mentioned that they presented the rector with a well-filled purse at the Harvest Thanksgiving.

Hawkestone.—St. Aidan's. —At an adjourned vestry meeting the wardens presented their accounts, which showed the debt on the church hall of \$1,000, is reduced to \$500, with interest also paid in full up to date. Last fall, Mrs. O'Brien, of Shanty Bay, kindly offered \$50, on condition that the congregation raise \$350 by Dec 31st. This was done by the efforts of the congregation and kind assistance by outside friends, to whom

many thanks are due, and \$400 paid on the mortgage of \$900. The other \$100, consisting of local claims, was also provided for, and thus the payment of \$500 was made up. This little band of workers are to be highly commended for their zeal and energy in dealing with this heavy burden. Wardens, James Leigh, Bertram Wrigley; lay delegate, Dr. C. Hibbert.

NIAGARA.

Hamilton.—Church of the Ascension.—The closing meeting of the season of the Young Peoples' Missionary Society was held in the schoolroom on Monday evening, May 1st. It was in the form of a missionary banquet, with the rector, the Rev. Canon Wade, in the chair. After partaking of a very liberal banquet provided by the ladies, two splendid missionary addresses were given by Mr. R. S. Mason, and Mr. E. Morley, both old "Ascension" boys, who have recently graduated from Wycliffe College, and are to be ordained in June. The Rev. T. W. Perry and A. G. Alexander, spoke a few words. After singing the Doxology, a very happy evening was brought to a close. The Sunday School orchestra provided music during the evening.

St. Matthew's.—The Right Rev. W. D. Reeve, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Toronto, administered the Rite of Confirmation in this church on Friday evening, 5th instant. There was a class of thirty-one, twenty-one of whom were adults. The large congregation joined very heartily in the service and listened attentively to the Bishop's very excellent address. During the offertory, the large choir sang very effectively, "Send out Thy light and Thy truth," (Gounod).

St. Catharines.—St. Thomas.—Wardens, R. W. Leonard, D. Muir; delegates to Synod, Dr. Merritt, Lieut.-Col. Thairs, Mr. A. C. Kingstone; receipts, \$5,440.18; leaving a balance in the bank after all expenses have been paid of \$135.88. The rector, the Rev. N. I. Perry, says in his annual letter:—"We have had some most useful gifts made to our church this year. Mrs. Ben. Jones paid for the concrete step at the sidewalk. Four excellent and costly service books have been given us, one by Miss Chamberlain, two by Mrs. Vernon Fullerton, and one by Miss Ethel Bennett's class of boys. New and excellently worked Communion linen has been given to us by the Girls' Auxiliary—two sets. I have appointed a chancel guild to consist of those who, with their own hands, did the fine work which is so evident on the linen. The great gift of the year has been that of my friend and warden, Mr. Leonard who, with his wife, is presenting us with such an excellent and costly organ. I desire to thank Mr. Leonard, not only because of the gift of a portion of the money with which he is being so richly endowed, but also because of the personal interest and loyalty which he has shown to this church of his choice. These are the gifts we need—gifts of one's substance and gifts of one's sympathies."

St. John's.—This church has been re-seated throughout with open and modern seats, which have replaced the old closed stall pews. These latter pews have been in use for the past one hundred years.

Jarvis.—The annual vestry meeting was held on the 10th ult., and there was a large attendance. The churchwardens or treasurer's report showed that receipts through the envelopes had increased \$103 during the year, and that the missionary offerings had grown from \$88 in 1910 to \$121 in 1911, and that the Diocesan Funds were made up in full, the first time for many years, if not in the history of the parish. Total receipts, \$1,154.21, expenses exceeded this by \$58.27. The W.A. and Parish Guild reports, sent by Mrs. Hartwell, gave receipts \$240.56, and expenses \$120.60. The amount in the bank, towards decorating the interior of the church, is \$55.23, and a sum is also on hand sufficient to cover the cost of shingling the roof of the rectory kitchen. Miss Whitwell, treasurer of the A.Y.P.A., reported receipts during the year as \$63.01, the balance in the bank, including \$63.03 left from 1910, is now \$70.24. The following officers were appointed:—Rector's warden, W. E. Soutter; people's warden, Dr. T. H. Lewis; treasurer, J. A. Campbell; lay delegates to Synod, T. H. Lewis, J. A. Burwash and C. E. Bourne. Resolutions of sympathy were passed at the death of Bishop DuMoulin, and Mr. John Aiken and were ordered to be forwarded to the bereaved families.

Clanford.—St. Paul's.—Wardens, Messrs. Webber and Dalton; receipts, \$1,040; disbursements, \$1,001. During the past year the church has been thoroughly renovated and re-seated, and everything now is in a most excellent condition.

Niagara Falls.—Surely a hopeful sign of the times.—The fifth annual convention of the Canadian Society of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses will be held in the Carnegie Library, Niagara Falls, Ont., May 24th and 25th. For the first time in the history of the Society a missionary session has been included in the very attractive programme. The following papers have been promised: "Africa," by Helen T. Melville, who has laboured for fifteen years in the foreign field; "Cree Indians," by Anna A. Hawley, of the Indian Reserve, Fort à la Come, Sask.; "Labrador," by Edith P. Mayon, formerly of S. Grenfell's Mission.

HURON.

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

Windsor.—All Saints'.—The adjourned vestry meeting was held on Monday evening, May 8th. Warden, J. White; receipts, \$5,000; disbursements, \$4,800. A resolution was carried to the effect that after next Easter all seats in this church will be free.

Paris.—St. James'.—A goodly number of people gathered together in the council chamber on the evening of Tuesday, May 9th, for the purpose of saying farewell to the Rev. Canon Brown, their greatly esteemed rector, who has just severed his connection with the parish after a pastorate of over a quarter of a century. His Worship, Mayor Armstrong, presided. After a number of short and appreciative addresses had been given by various people, Mr. James Smiley read the following address, which was beautifully engrossed on vellum and bound in Russia leather:—"The Reverend Alfred Brown, B.A., Rector of St. James' Parish, Paris, and Canon of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont. Dear Sir:—As you have just completed your pastorate of twenty-five years in Paris, we gladly avail ourselves of this opportunity to express our appreciation of your personal character, and of your good work as a Minister of the Gospel, and as an educationist. While we feel that after a ministry of forty-six years you are abundantly justified in retiring from active work, it is to us a matter of regret that the time is at hand when we shall no longer have you as one of our fellow citizens. Your removal from the town, in the best interests of which you have taken an active part, will be a distinct loss. By your pulpit, pastoral, and other ministrations, you have helped in no small measure to create and maintain a healthy, moral atmosphere in the community. By your unvarying courtesy and true brotherliness, you have won a large place in our hearts. Of steadfast loyalty to the British flag, you have given ample proof in your stirring addresses on various occasions. We desire to refer in respectful and appreciative terms to Mrs. Brown. What she has been to you in your work is well known. You and her will carry to your new home our best wishes. We hope and trust that many years of great happiness are in store for you both. As an expression of our respect and affection we ask you to accept this address and this purse of gold. Signed on behalf of the subscribers, J. H. Fisher, Chairman of Committee; James Smiley, Secretary of Committee, Paris, May 9th, 1911." At the conclusion the Rev. B. B. Williams, in well chosen remarks, handed Canon Brown a purse of British gold containing upwards of \$400, in sovereigns of the reign of Queen Victoria, King Edward and King George. The Rev. Canon Brown, who was visibly affected, acknowledged the presentation in a few well chosen words. The meeting was closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

On the following morning the ladies of the congregation waited upon Mrs. Brown at the rectory and presented her with a handsome silver purse containing nearly \$100 in gold, which was accompanied by the following address:—"Dear Mrs. Brown:—On behalf of the ladies of St. James' Church, I wish to express to you our sincere regret at the parting which is so soon to take place. Your ever ready help in all the activities of the church, your life day after day and year after year, has been a gospel of womanly purity and sweetness. Always gentle, always reasonable, bringing out the best in all your co-workers, your tender sympathy in all sorrow and trouble has formed a bond hard to sever.

We cannot let you go without this slight token of our appreciation of your devotion to St. James' Church, and the help and support you have been to our beloved rector. Words are so vain—but of your sojourn of twenty-five years among us—it can well be said: "She hath done what she could." While we are so sorry to lose you and dear Canon Brown, we rejoice you are to have such a delightful and well deserved rest. The prayers and good wishes of St. James' Church will follow you. I ask you to accept this small token of love. Sincerely yours, Alice Craig, Secretary of Committee, Paris, May 10th, 1911."

ALGOMA.

Geo. Thorneloe, D.D., Bishop, Sault Ste. Marie.

New Liskeard.—The Rev. J. B. Lindsell, late rector of Fleming, Sask., in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, has been appointed vicar of this living. Mr. Lindsell will enter upon his new sphere of work immediately.

Port Arthur.—St. John's.—Wardens, W. A. Burrows, J. Wood; delegates to Synod, W. F. Langworthy, F. H. Keefer. Mr. Goodier's salary, as organist and choirmaster, was increased by the sum of \$200 and a special vote of appreciation of his services was passed.

St. Ausgarius.—Wardens, C. Meade, A. Richardson; delegate to Synod; H. Richardson; receipts, \$803.05; disbursements, \$602.07.

St. Michael and All Angels.—Wardens, A. Thornham, G. Elliott; receipts, \$256.90; disbursements, \$237.91.

RUPERT'S LAND.

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

Brandon.—St. Mary's.—This church has just closed its third and most prosperous year, having raised about \$1,500 more than last year, and having 252 registered communicants. His Grace, Archbishop Matheson, has just confirmed a class of eighteen candidates. The Sunday School now numbers 254 pupils. A. R. B. Hearn, Esq., is rector's warden, and J. A. P. Clark, people's warden.

St. Matthew's.—Revenue for the year, \$9,200; expended, \$8,500; Messrs. Irwin and Ball, churchwardens; Hon. G. R. Caldwell, K.C., J. P. Curran, K.C. and Dr. W. L. Harcourt, lay delegates. Unanimous thanks of the congregation tendered to the rector, the Rev. W. P. Reeve, and two months' vacation was granted to him. Bishop Harding preached at Matins on Palm Sunday and confirmed adults in the afternoon. Archbishop Matheson confirmed 20 candidates on May 7th.

SASKATCHEWAN

Jervols A. Newnham, D.D., Bishop, Prince Albert, Sask.

Battleford.—Indian Industrial School.—The Bishop and Mrs. Newnham visited the school April 8th and on the following Sunday nine candidates were presented for Confirmation. The preacher on Good Friday 11 a.m. service was the Ven. Archdeacon Mackay. The special offertory for propagation of the Gospel among the Jews, amounted to \$7.25. The offertory Easter Sunday morning for the Indian Mission Endowment Fund was \$11.35. On Easter Sunday afternoon, instead of the usual Sunday school classes, the pupils assembled in the schoolroom, to hear what proved a most interesting address by Archdeacon Mackay, on mission work in China. The Indian boys and girls listened with rapt attention to the words of the Archdeacon, as he told them of the hard lot of some of the little boys and girls of China. They were all filled with a desire to mitigate to some extent the sufferings of these little ones. The offertory for Bishop White's Orphanage for "Famine Babies" in our Canadian Diocese of Honan, China, was \$15.00. Surely our Indian mission and school work is worth supporting when the children do extra work, voluntarily and cheerfully, for the purpose of earning money, in order that they may give it to the work of rescuing and saving Chinese children and evangelizing the Jews. These Indian children also contribute regularly to M.S.C.C. apportionment and other funds of the diocese. On "Bible" Sunday, May 7th, the Holy Sacrament

was administered at 11 a.m. The preacher at this service was the Principal, the Rev. E. Matheson, who took for his text Exodus XX. v. 1, "God spakè these words." He contrasted the Bible with other books—books written by man—it is the Word of God. The word is the light that guides men. Without it we are as heathen nations groping about in the dark. He considered the Bible as the third of God's greatest gifts to mankind. He gave, 1, His Son; 2, His Holy Spirit to sanctify us; 3, the Bible to guide us in our search after the Truth. The preacher reminded us of what our attitude should be towards this precious gift—that the Word of God should dwell in us richly and then we must spread it abroad amongst our fellow-men. The offertory for the British and Foreign Bible Society for "Bible House" in Winnipeg, amounted to \$11.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

A. U. de Pencier, M.A., Bishop, Vancouver, B.C.

Vancouver.—St. Paul's.—There were 670 communicants on Easter Day in this church. The rector was assisted at the various services by the Revs. L. Taylor, S. M. Podmore, and A. A. Dorrell.

Latimer Hall.—The formal closing of Latimer Hall took place in the schoolroom of Christ Church on Friday evening, May 5th. The room was prettily decorated by the Daughters of the King; the singing was led by the choir of St. Michael's Church and there was a very representative attendance. Mr. J. C. Keith, vice-chairman, occupied the chair, and was surrounded on the platform by twenty prominent clergy and laymen. The Principal reported a most successful year. Active work of organization began in July, 1910. On October 7th, the formal opening took place in a building of 12 rooms, purchased by the college and furnished by the Woman's Aid with seven students in attendance. The Woman's Aid raised \$907.25 during the year. The sum of \$748.46 had been spent in furnishing the building, \$150 had been invested in a sinking fund, and there was a small balance on hand. The students had increased to nine and during the year they had conducted 73 services, assisted in 46 services and taught 140 classes in five churches and the Chinese Mission. The library consists of 750 volumes. The finances of the college are in good condition. Incorporation papers are being prepared and the property will be vested in 50 trustees who will appoint an executive body of 30 councillors to manage the affairs of the college. The official name will be Latimer Hall in accordance with the plan proposed by the Bishops of the province. Another professor will be added to the staff, and enquiries are now being made regarding a suitable man. Already applications are being received for next term. Inspiring addresses were given by Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, the Rev. J. C. Robinson, of Japan, and the Rev. Principal Mackay of Westminster Hall, who brought fraternal greetings. The whole evening was marked by the greatest optimism for the future of the institution.

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Correspondence

WHERE IS THE SOURCE?

Sir,—In reply to the enquiry of "Philologus," Dr. Hall, of Chicago, in his "Authority, Ecclesiastical and Biblical," (p. 68), quotes Dr. Salmon's "Infallibility of the Church," to the effect that the formula, "The Church to teach, the Scriptures to prove," comes from Dr. Hawkins, sometime Provost of Oriel College, Oxford. Dr. Hall thinks, however, that the idea is ancient, and he remarks that the phrase would be more adequate if expanded into "The Church to teach and define, the Scriptures to confirm and illustrate." If any of your readers would like to see some acute criticisms of the phrase they should refer to a volume of essays by the late Chancellor Bernard, "The Word and Sacraments," and a recent volume by the Dean of Canterbury, Dr. Wace, "Principles of the Reformation."

W. H. Griffith Thomas.

LETTER WRITING.

Sir,—I am in hearty sympathy with "Layman" in his letter re "Letter writing." He expresses feelings that I have long had and have frequently expressed in private. The amount of space in our Church papers occupied with the discussion of such questions as "Layman" enumerates is sickening. Very frequently one has to pass over page after page of this kind of stuff before coming to anything really instructive and helpful. Why my brethren of the clergy and of the laity devote so much valuable time to such questions when others of such vital importance are open for inquiry and debate, I cannot understand. I have been for a long time a silent sufferer, and I doubt not there are many in the same class. I am indeed thankful that at last a protesting voice has been raised and I earnestly hope it will have the desired effect. "Layman's" letter, to me, contains more sanctified common sense than any letter I have ever read in the columns of a church paper. It is worth at least a year's subscription.

A Clergyman.

Vancouver, B.C., April 24th, 1911.

BOOK NOTICES.

THE CORONATION.

By the Rev. W. H. Griffith Thomas, D.D.

The Coronation Service.—Edited by the Rev. J. H. Pemberton. Price, 2s. 6d. net.

Sermons for the Coronation of King George V.—Price, 2s. 6d. net.

How and Why King George Will be Crowned.—By the Rev. J. Hammond. Price, 1s. net.

A Coronation Souvenir.—By the Rev. S. Baring-Gould. Price, 6d. net.

Hymns for the Coronation of King George V.—Price, 1s. net. London: Skeffington & Son.

Literature descriptive of the Coronation abounds just now, and the five books mentioned above cover the ground pretty completely and provide all the necessary information. The first is a description of the Coronation Service with notes, but we cannot help feeling sorry that the writer has allowed his ecclesiastical partialities to appear in the explanatory matter. It is a great pity that differences should be emphasized on an occasion when all Churchmen and citizens should be one in mind and heart. It would not be difficult to point out some serious inaccuracies in matters of fact as well as certain wrong impressions conveyed. The sermons included in the second volume are interesting without being specially striking, but alas, here again doctrinal views are unnecessarily obtruded. Sermons made to order are admittedly difficult, and it can hardly be said that these are too successful in the treatment of the various historical, national, and personal aspects of the Coronation. We are afraid that here and there Canadian Churchmen will find the teaching somewhat "strong meat," for the writers are occasionally fond of enforcing an analogy between episcopacy and kingship. Mr. Hammond's little book is a simple account of a Coronation Service with useful illustrations of the various parts of the regalia and the vessels used. Mr. Baring-Gould endeavours to provide similar information in another form, and except for his own particular doctrinal peculiarities there is much that is graphically told by his practised pen. Perhaps the best of all five books is that which contains the hymns, ten in number, written, among others, by the Bishop of Durham, the Dean of Wells, the Revs. J. Ellerton, S. J. Stone, and S. Baring-Gould. The music is composed by such well-known musicians as Sir Frederick Bridge, Sir George Martin, Sir George Elvey, Sir Walter Parratt, Sir John Stainer, Dr. W. H. Monk, and others. The additional verse to the National Anthem will be particularly appropriate for use on Coronation Day. As the tunes are nearly all new, suggestions are offered for the use of familiar alternatives. This collection of hymns has been submitted to their Majesties, the King and Queen, who have graciously accepted the dedication. One or two of the hymns are specially suitable to be sung by children.

Owing to lack of space a large number of letters and a good deal of diocesan news are held over this week.

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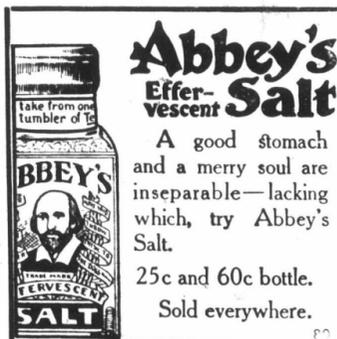
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British and Foreign

The Rev. Dr. Dunnell, the veteran rector of All Saints' Church, New York, retired from the active ministry of the church at the advanced age of 86. He has been rector of this parish for the past 40 years.

The new Dean of St. Paul's.—The King has approved the appointment of the Rev. William Ralph Inge, D.D., Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity in the University of Cambridge, to be Dean of St. Paul's, in succession to the Very Rev. Robert



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Gregory, D.D., resigned. Dr. Inge comes to the Deanery at a comparatively early age, having not yet completed his fifty-first year. He is the eldest son of the late Rev. William Inge, D.D., Provost of Worcester College, Oxford, his mother being a

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daughter of the Ven. Edward Churton, Archdeacon of Cleveland. His ecclesiastical connections are further strengthened by the fact that he married the daughter of the Archdeacon of Maidstone, Miss Spooner, who is a granddaughter of the late Bishop Harvey Goodwin, of Carlisle. From Eton he went to King's College, Cambridge, where he had a most distinguished career. In addition to his College Scholarship his long list of academic honours includes the Bell, the Porson, and the Craven Scholarships, First Class in each part of the Classical Tripos, the Senior Chancellor's medal, and the Hare Prize. He was an Assistant-Master at Eton from 1884 to 1888, and for the last two years of that period he was a Fellow of King's College, Cambridge. He was ordained deacon in 1888, but did not take priest's orders until 1892. He was for sixteen years Fellow and Tutor of Hertford College, Oxford, (1889-1905); in 1905 he was presented by Canon Henson to the vicarage of All Saints', Ennismoregardens. In 1907 he became Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity and Fellow of Jesus College, Cambridge, and he has been Bampton Lecturer at Oxford and Paddock Lecturer in New York. Dr. Inge is Examining Chaplain to the Bishop of Lichfield, and has been Select Preacher both at Oxford and Cambridge. He received an Hon. D.D. from the University of Aberdeen in 1905, and proceeded B.D. and D.D. at Cambridge in 1909. Dr. Inge has published a number of volumes dealing with religious matters. He is a high authority on the writings of German commentators, and last year was himself much criticized on account of certain of his theological opinions. In scholarship he is eminently fitted to fulfil the high position to which he has been called, and there can be no question that his great abilities and his experience will

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enable him worthily to discharge the administrative, public, and social duties which it entails. It is certain also that he will maintain the high traditions of St. Paul's for its reverent and dignified ritual, and the musical excellence of its services. As Dean of St. Paul's Dr. Inge will be entitled to a seat near the Prolocutor in the Canterbury Lower House of Convocation.

The new Bishop of Southwark.—The King has approved the appointment of the Rev. Hubert Murray Burge, D.D., Head Master of Winchester College, to be Bishop of Southwark, in the place of the Right Rev. Edward Talbot, D.D., translated to the See of Winchester. This appointment adds another link to the ties which bind together an ancient and a new diocese, the latter being at one time included in the former. Dr. Burge, who is only in his forty-ninth year, is the son of the Rev. M. R. Burge, of Fort William, Calcutta, and was born on August 9th, 1862. He was educated at Bedford Grammar-school and Marlborough College, and gained a scholarship at University College, Oxford. He took a First Class in Moderations in 1883, and graduated (Second Class Lit. Hum.) in 1886, proceeding B.D. and D.D. in 1902. From 1887 to 1890 he was Sixth Form Master at Wellington College under the late Dean of Lincoln. In 1890 he was elected a Fellow of his College; in 1894 he became Tutor, and in the fol-

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lowing year Dean. His wife is the youngest daughter of Dr. James Franck Bright, formerly Master of University College. He was ordained deacon in 1897 and priest in 1898. In 1900 he was appointed Head Master of Repton School, but in the following year was chosen to succeed Dr. Fearon as Head Master of Winchester College. He has the remarkable distinction of being the first Head Master who was not a Wykehamist. To succeed a man of Dr. Fearon's reputation was a task of no ordinary difficulty, but his rule has been a successful one, and he has been popular alike with the masters, the boys, the Cathedral authorities, and the citizens. He has not cared only for the

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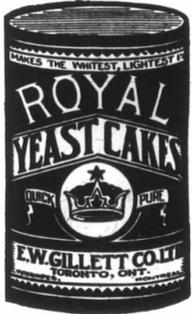
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been still further extended. At the Head-Masters' Conference he has been a frequent speaker. At the beginning of the last October term he was selected as the preacher before the University of Cambridge on May 21st, when he follows in the list another schoolmaster Bishop—the Bishop of Norwich—who also was without any parochial experience when he was promoted to the Episcopate. The names of Tait, Temple, Moberly, and Ridding (Dr. Fearon's predecessor at Winchester) are sufficient to show that many schoolmasters who had not the training of parish work made excellent Diocesan, and Dr. Burge's past career fully justifies the hope and the expectation that he will succeed in the great task which lies before him.

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BRUTUS, THE VEGETARIAN.

Twelve years is a long time for a cat to live unappreciated, but Brutus never seemed to mind. The tenor of his life had run smoothly, in spite of constant gibes and jeers from the man of the house, who had no liking for a cat that loved asparagus above all things and refused to show the least interest in a live mouse.

"If you will insist on calling him 'brute,' I shall have to name him 'Brutus,'" the gentle mistress had remarked to her husband one day while the peace-loving cat was still a kitten. So Brutus he was from that hour—a queer, big, unoffending creature that not only declined to catch mice, but utterly disdained meat of all kinds, dining contentedly every noontime on a plain, cold, boiled potato, with perhaps a bit of lettuce, or on special feast days a dish of asparagus.

For years he was a neighbourhood joke, a harmless, amusing oddity, until one morning a terrible commotion called the mistress of the house to her kitchen window. It seemed that the small kitten belonging to the neighbour on the north had scaled her fence, and the fierce little bulldog belonging to the neighbour on the south had crept under his; and now the two were met in unequal combat in the back yard where Brutus had so long held peaceful sway.

"Call your dog off! Get him away quick!" the neighbour behind the north fence was demanding excitedly, while the neighbour behind the south fence was wringing her hands and protesting that her dog would not mind, and he would surely kill the kitten, and what in the world could they do?

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