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the self-reliance that marks a new country like this, it would be well to remember the generous traditions and the courteous manners of the Old Country. There was sometimes a tendency to demonstrate self-reliance by a want of respect to fellow-men and to those in authority. While he was'a believer in self-reliance and in the words of the poet:

"The rank is but the guinea's stamp, The man's the gowd for a' that,"

he thought one was much more likely to suc ceed by learning respect to those above, and courteous manners. Respect was not at all an imitation of servility, and he felt sure that the younger generation would benefit by studying the generous traditions of the Old World to which he had already alluded."

Sunday.

Of recent years there has been a revival in Ireland of the Gaelic language and Gaelic leagues to emphasize Irish national habits. One very sad result is the effect on Sunday observance, which the Church of Ireland Gazette laments, m an editorial which begins in the following words: "We have reached that period of the year when the question of Sunday observance is being strongly forced upon our notice. The various branches of the Gaelic League throughout the country are now commencing to hold their Sunday festivals, with dancing, singing, hurley playing, and the usual visit to the public-house by the bona fide traveller as a fitting conclusion to the geremonies. We had a great "go-as-youplease" race organization by the Evening Herald, and run on Sunday last between Dublin and Naas with a concourse of onlookers numbering between 60,000 and 100,000 people. Outdoor amusements of all kinds are in full swing for rich and poor. Sunday is becoming, even in country villages, the noisiest and rowdiest day of the week."

Wesley and the Church.

It has been generally understood that Wesley never intended leaving the Church of England; and it has been known, although not generally known, that he embodied this determination in 1790, less than a year before his death, in his final protest: I never had any design of separating from the Church; I have no such design now. I do not believe the Methodists in general design it. I do, and will do, all that is in my power to prevent such an event; nevertheless, in spite of all I can do, many will separate from it. . . In flåt opposition to these, I declare, once more. that I live and die a member of the Church of England, and that none who regard my judgment or advice will ever separate from it. In the same year, he also published in the Arminian Magazine his famous sermon (afterwards suppressed by his followers), on the assumption. by his preachers, of "the priesthood," as he puts it. comparing them to Korah, Dathan and Abivam. A strange corroboration of this state of mind has been brought to light by a writer in the "National Church." Referring to the inability of the Wesleyan body in England to get rid of the circuits, so as to have a permanent or prolonged ministry, the writer says: "The single exception is the ordained minister of the Church of England. The Deed of Declaration allows 'ordained ministers of the Church of England' to be appointed by the Conference, 'to the use or enjoyment of, or to preach and expound God's Holy Word in any of the chapels or premises,' of Wesleyan Methodism, and prescribes no legal limit to the term of appointment. In other words, the only person, not being a Wesleyan Methodist preacher, who may be appointed to preach or teach in Wesleyan places of worship, and that unlimited by the three years' term, is a clergyman of the Church of Eugland. It is a singular and noteworthy fact that, embedded in the very heart of the Wesleyan constitutional Poll Deed, is this conclusive manifestation that John Wesley intended the ministers of that body to be 'preachers and expounders,' that he drew a strong distinction between them and an episcopally ordained ministry, and that he desired the continued close union with the Church of England."

The Church Army

Has celebrated its twenty-first anniversary. The published statement shows a wonderful amount of work. The income last year was over \$730,-000, exceeding the previous one by \$45,000, and Mr. Carlyle hoped that that for the present year would be \$1,000,000. These are big figures, and the record of work, diversified work among the most needy classes in England, is something to be thankful for. At the same time, we have to repeat our regret that this body has wholly failed in Canada. We have often expressed our hope that this organization would have adapted itself to our needs, and have established mission farms on the outposts of settlement. These farms ought soon to be self-supporting; they could be turned to immense benefit in innumerable ways in aid of immigrants, as well as affording homes and rest for itinerant missionaries. That is what our pioneer settlers find that the Roman Church has done in advance, and what an order in that body could do we have always thought that Church volunteers could do as well. No organization seemed to be so well fitted for the work as the Church Army, but it has not elected to labour in this field.

Practical Education.

The Bishop of Worcester hardly ever makes a speech without throwing new light on a subject or suggesting a new train of thought. Dr. Gore is more impressed by the fact that even in Birmingham few Englishmen really believe in education or really interest themselves in what their children are taught or whether they are taught intelligently or efficiently. On the other hand religious questions will rouse them to unreasoning fury. At the yearly congress of the General Association of Church School Managers, the Bishop of Worcester, as president, delivered the opening address, in the course of which he deplored the recent controversy on the education question. In some respects it had done harm. It had, for instance, put back for some decades of years the relations of the Church with leaders of labour in the country. It constituted a crisis, but, challenged as they had been, they had to respond, not by controversy or by vituperation, but by efficiency. The question was whether the Church was going to retain the great place it had held in the country's education by the only claim by which they could hope to retain it-continual selfadapting, self-adjusting efficiency. It was a simple and lamentable fact, that very few Englishmen really believed in education. He was frequently consulted by people of the upper classes about schools and colleges for their children. He was asked about matters from sanitary arrangements up to religious instruction, but scarcely ever was he asked whether the young man or the young woman was going to be efficiently taught. The same applied to other classes of society. Exceedingly few of the artizan classes really realized the immense engine of power that education might be, an sinstrument for turning the world upside down if they would only apply it. Defining education as the power of intelligent



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Manners Maketh Man.

One fault of English-speaking Canada is the lack of good manners. There are exceptions of course. But rudeness is noticeable in public life, in the courts, in school children, and even in synods. Along with the abolition of school fees, the "tuppence extra for manners" has disappeared also, and the result is everywhere apparent. The Rev. Mr. Etherington, who has recently come west to Hamilton from Quebec, has felt himself compelled to remark upon the rudeness of children and their ignorance of proper behaviour, compared to French-Canadians. In the city of Toronto boys brought up at the Separate Schools are, we hear, preferred for two reasons by employers, one is their better grounding in the three R's, the other is their better manners. In his recent welcome visit to Toronto, in an address to the School Boy Cadets, the Governor-General said: "Both pupils and teachers ought to remember that it is not the actual education, but the training of the general character which tends to insure the success of the race. With all 404

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correspondence with the law or progress. His Lordship said people might be crammed with certain facts and still be left uneducated. He would require that education should be far more adapted to local circumstances, and, if necessar, far more practical, more technical, than it was at present.

The Pope.

He must be callous, indeed, who does not feel pity for the Pope. Aged far beyond the span of life, he realizes how every symptom of natural decay is watched by those around him and commented upon by the unabashed newspapers. Unfortunately, he is denied the desire of all created beings to retire into a quiet place to pass away. His strong constitution has carried him through many trials and may do so for some time yet before his place is filled, as it is sure to be, by another Italian prelate.

A National Air.

Our neighbours are trying to discover a National Air; the Boers did so at the beginning of the war, but the air, though taking, failed to "catch on." Few have done so. The Marsellaise is almost unique in that respect. Napoleon III, made "Partant pour la Syrie" the Imperial Air during his reigh, but it is now forgotten. Undeterred by the failure of others, a prize has been offered by the Society of the Cincinnati for the best setting to the national hymn "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." Five hundred and twenty-six tunes have been sent in for examination. From this number it is hoped that an acceptable tune will be found.

The Bishopric of Birmingham.

The sum of money needed for the endowment of the proposed bishopric of Birmingham is \pounds 105,000, and already the money collected for that object amounts to nearly £90,000; yet it is only in the last few months that a determined attempt has been made to raise the money. The noble contribution of £ 10.000 from the Bishop of Worcester has done much to stimulate the generosity of Churchmen, and now the great Midland . Metropolis is aflame with enthusiasm on behali of the fund. It is interesting to record that the movement has had the sympathy and help of Mr Chamberlain. The Church of Birmingham he made wonderful strides of late, and this proposal to create it the seat of a new bishopric has been widely approved. The Bishop of Worcester, dur ing his short tenure of the bishopric, has wongolden opinions, and already a strong wish is ocing expressed that he will allow himself to be nominated for the new See, leaving the more ancient bishopric to another. It would be a sacrifice, but Bishop Gore's whole life has been one of self-denial.-"Church Bells."

est and liberality. We believe the \$75,000 asked for will be raised, and that before many years are passed the Great West of Canada, now seeking atel requiring aid, will not only be independent of outside assistance, but will itself be foremost in sonling the Gospel of Christ to the regions In another direction^{*} the Canadian Church has been equally slow, and that is in providing adequate maintenance for her clergy in our settled parishes, as well as our country missions. The standard of clerical maintenance is on in all parts of our Church in Eastern Cauada. Compared with the incomes of professional n-n high school teachers, business men, or killed mechanics, the meomes of the clergy are small and inadequate. The wages of artizans, the profits of busidess men have increased by leaps and bounds, whilst the incomes of the clergy have remained stationary, and in some cases declined. As to our rural parishes, where a elergyman has no educational advantages for his children, and has to send them from home for scho ling, and is compelled to keep a horse in order to perform his work, and is required, on an income of \$000 a year, irregularly paid, to live and moint in his family, the state of things existing is simply disgraceful and scandalous, and we are reaping the natural consequences when men cannot be found to fill positions that call for such sacrifices. We are not overorawing the proture of clerical poverty and its inevitable results. for even in the wealthy diocese of Toronto, according to the statement of its Pishop, \$600 was the average stipend of missionary dergymen, and it failed, he said, to secure men for country work, and drove many to seek a field of usefulness in a foreign country. What is needed in this matter, as in the case of our missionary work generally, is the arousing of public opinion, and the adoption of such practical measures as will remedy the evil. Large salaries for our missionary clergy no one advocates, but an income of \$860 and a home should be aimed at, as the minimum for clergy who have given ten or more years to the work. It is within the power of the Church in all our Eastern dioceses to do this, all that is needed is an agitation of the question, and proper efforts to develop and stimulate the liberality of our people. They are the sufferers from an impoverished ministry, for no man who is lacking the necessaries and decencies or life, who has to live in reasonable confort an dignity, can possibly do good work and edify the people committed to his charge. Of all economies the Church can practise this is the most costly, and the soldiers at the front, fight ing the Church's battles in the face of tremendous opposition and difficulties, should have the suppost needed to maintain them in their trying position. To secure this two things are neces sary, aid from central funds, and development of local-resources. Both are important. The rich should aid the poor, and bence diocesan mission funds should be liberally supported, and their necessity explained and urged. But more important than mission funds of the dioceses is the development of local liberality and support. For a country mission to get one cent more of aid than is just needful is an injury and weakness to it. Mission funds nave not been an unmitigated benefit, for parishes have come in many cases to regard it as a perpetual endowment, and have been dependent and weak, when they should have grown independent and strong. We have worked too much in the direction of raising mission funds, and too little in the mission field itself. What is wanted more than an agent to increase central funds, is one who will go out into the country parishes, set before them a higher ideal of clerical support than they now have, and canvess the parish for the clérgyman's income. A living agent in the field is what is required in all our dioceses, and if the right man be secured, great results will follow. We are pleased to notice that our remarks on this subject in respect to Easter vestries hore fruit in not a few parishes, and that the incomes of our clergy therein were voluntarily increased. We hope this movement will advance, and that the members of the Church of England in Canada will no longer remain content with things as they are at present in this respect, and will speedily clear themselves of the reproach that attaches to them now, that the clergy of their historic Church are the most poorly paid of any religious denomination in the country. We intend to agitate this question, as being a vital one to the Church's growth and influence, we invite correspondence upon it, and shall be glad to report all cases of action, diocesan or parochial, which tend to improvement in this most important matter.

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This Department is for the benefit of Women's work in the Church in Canada. -Its object will be to treat of all institutions and societies of interest to Churchwomen.-Requests for intormation, or short reports for publication will receive prompt attention.-Correspondence will be welcome, and should be brief addressed to the Editor "Ruth." care of CANADIAN CHURCHMAN.

ONTARIO.

Prescott .-- St. John's .-- While the seventeenth annual meeting of Ontario's W. A., which was held in this parish, from Tuesday, June 9th, to 12th, inclusive, was characterized by enthusiasm, business-like despatch, and devotion to the work in hand; more noteworthy was the spirit of loyalty which pervaded the gathering. Loyalty first to the Bishop, and an utter willingness to obey either his wishes or commands, and loyalty to all diocesan officers, each of whom set a good example; first, by her submission to her Bishop, and second, by her loyalty to her sister officers. There was absolutely no under-current-each officer had a single eye to the furtherance of the object she had in hand, and knew that her sister officers were like-minded. Well might Mrs. Lennox Mills, the Bishop's wife, and honorary president, say, after the re-election of the Board, that no better aggregation of women could be found any where. There was a preliminary meeting of the Board on Tuesday evening, but the proceedings proper began with a celebration of the Holy Communion on Wednesday morning, celebrant being the Lord Bishop; Rural Dean Patton, Rev. F. D. Woodcock, and Rev. A. L. McTear assisting. His Lordship preached from the text, "My God shall supply all your need, according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus," assuring the members of the Auxiliary that as they did their work prayerfully and faithfully for God and His people, all their needs, both temporal and spiritual, would be supplied. The members were privileged to witness the holy rite of confirmation administered by the Lord Bishop, the newly-confirmed receiving the Holy Communion with the delegates. Directly after the service, the business sessions began in the church hall, greetings being read from the other diocesan auxiliaries, and letters from various officers of the General W. A. Board. Mrs. Patton, wife of the rector of the parish, read the address of welcome, reminding the members present of the purpose and scope of their work-their Christianity might not be kept to themselves, and live-and expressing the hope that the organization would work in the future with even greater charity and efficiency than in the past. The Honorary President, in her reply, said she hoped the meeting would fire fresh enthusiasm, and that the earnest endeavor of all in the future would be to overcome all difficulties. and break down all barriers in the way of our great work. High praise was given our Leaflet Editor, and members were urged, not only to take the society's little newspaper, but to read it.

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CLERICAL STIPENDS.

We must confess that our Church in this country has been slow in moving in many important directions, and been tardy in adopting those practical measures which are necessary to secure practical results. For instance, it is only recently that proper action was taken with regard to the missionary work of the Church. There was no comprehensive grasp of the situation, no statesmanlike legislation, and no business-like action. There was, a lack of unity and energy, and con-. sequent weakness and loss. At last public opinion within the Church was aroused, the General Synod took the needful steps to organize the work of missions in the domestic and foreign field, a general secretary was appointed, helpful literature has been provided, and, as a result, the Church awakened and informed as to the needs of the mission field, at home and abroad, is nobly responding to the demands made upon its interJ. W. A., up en bloc and was St. Peter' the good John's V caught a listed on the cause D. treast the grov the branc St. Thou scribers, prompt introduce account Pook of Uganda: T. Austi upon fo: learnt m W.A. th Rev. F. also spo out a bi tion to presider tion of be so f and pra a stand

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Ignorance of the work will beget apathy. The names of those on the various committees were then announced by the convenor of the nominating committee. The Lord Bishop, at the request of the President, kindly addressed the meeting, saying that he hoped his oft-repeated statement, that one of his chief pleasures was attending meetings of the W. A., would not be considered unmeaning, but understood to be the real expression of his feelings. He always received inspiration for his own work from such meetings, and his prayer was that a blessing might be poured out on the society, and each individual in her own home. After the adjournment, the J. W. A. secretary, and the treasure, held conferences with all who wished to meet them, and talk over the work. The afternoon session began with the President's annual address. The importance of junior work was urged, as upon the faithful instilling of missionary principles into the young depends the future state of the Church. Each branch of the work was touched upon. special mention being made of the energy and enterprise of the E. C. a D. treasurer. Each member should make it a point of conscience to come regularly to the meeting, and help the officers. Three things are necessary to the furtherance of the work-determination, perseverance, and enthusiksm." An outbreak of this last amongst the 1.428 members of Ontario's W. A. would result in unimagined good. The reports of the various diocesan officers were read and adopted. the treasurer's showing a grand total of \$2,129.30; the Doreas secretary reporting 59 bales sent, the total weight being in the neighborhood of 5,500 pounds, and the cost of material, \$884. She urged greater attention to the department of church furnishings, reading a letter from the General Dorcas Secretary, who said that if the W. A.'s realized the happiness and encouragement such gifts afford lonely, struggling missionaries, not only in the Northwest, but in the poor and unsettled parts of the Eastern dioceses, they would count the duty of making them a high privilege. In connection with this matter, it may be mentioned, that a committee has been formed, composed of Miss Frances Macaulay, superintendent of the Cathedral J. W. A., and two members of that branch, Miss Lettice Tandy and Miss White. who will gladly see to the purchasing of linen, stamping the same with appropriate designs, and helping in any way with instruction or advice, any branch which desires to take up the work. The Cathedral juniors themselves will make such work part of next winter's programme, and the J. W. A., of Kemptville (which, by the way, came up en bloc, with its officers to Thursday's sessions, and was warmly welcomed), and the juniors of St. Peter's, Brockville, have decided to undertake the good work. This, with the addition of St. John's W. A., Prescott, whose president has caught at the idea enthusiastically, and has enlisted one of her most skilful needlewomen in the cause, makes a good showing. The E. C. a D. treasurer reported a substantial increase, and the growth of a better understanding amongst the branches, of the usefulness of the little fund. St. Thomas', Belleville, heads the list of subscribers, and Frankford carries the banner for prompt returns. Mr. Kristen Borup was then introduced to the meeting, and gave a short account of the translation of the Bible, and the Book of Common Prayer, into the language of Uganda; by Mr. George Pilkington. The Rev. T. Austin Smith was in the room, and was called upon for a speech, in which he said that he had learnt many things concerning the benefits of the W. A. that he had never dreamed of before. The Rev. F. D. Woodcock, an old friend of the W. A., also spoke, saying he considered any parish without a branch was trammelled. It was an inspira tion to every clergyman. Mrs. Crisp, second vice president, then read her paper, on the "Formation of Missionary Classes," which was felt to be so full of help for the work, both spiritually and practically, that the writer was not only given a standing vote of thanks, but it was resolved to

have it printed, and copies may be obtained from Mrs. Norman Fraser, secretary of literature. Mrs. Loucks gave an interesting account of the missionary journeys she and her C.C.M.G. takes in the N.W., with the help of pins and the large C.P.R. maps. The meeting then adjourned. In the evening, St. John's Hall was filled, not only with women, but men, to hear the romance of Uganda. as told by Mr. Kristen Borup, and illustrated by lantern views. So completely self-effacing was the lecturer, that it was only by accident it was found out that in the matter of the great Uganda cathedral, at any rate, Mr. Borup was himself "the man behind the guns," being architect, gang foreman, and master workman, as well as C.M.S. missionary and teacher. At Thursday's session, the Lord Bishop formally thanked the W.A. for the generous thank-offering to Diocesan Missions of \$492, which was made up by the diocesan treasurer to the even \$500. In speaking of the new constitution, which has been causing trouble ip other auxiliaries, His Lordship said he had the fullest confidence that his W.A. women would speak in no uncertain tone against the evil of division. Every woman, as well as every man, was, by her baptism, a member of the General Board of missions. He was sure no spirit of division, no desire for separation, existed in Ontario, but that all the members would work, as the name implies, as an auxiliary to the Board. Success in some quarters had led to ambition, out of ambition was springing division, and from division would come disaster. It was moved by Mrs. Dargarvel, seconded by Mrs. Bedford-Jones, and carried, that the result of the deliberations on the matter in hand be submitted to the Lord Bishop, for his correction or approval. Later on, a committee brought in the following resolution: "The members of the Ontario W.A., having heard that there exists some misunderstanding in the Board of Management of the General Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, regarding the status of the Woman's Auxiliary, wish to record that they have no desire to sever themselves from the General Board. but pledge themselves to remain as heretofore, a faithful and loyal auxiliary." Very interesting letters were read from Miss Hamaguchi, in Japan, and from Miss E. M. Simmons, once the energetic and sadly-missed secretary of the Newboro' branch, now assistant matron at the Gordon schools. A Bible-reading was given at the noonhour by the Rev. Rural Dean Patton. A most interesting part of the afternoon session was the presentation by Mrs. Lennox-Mills, on behalf of the diocesan branches, of a Life Membership to Mrs. Clare Worrell, the faithful, and most efficient treasurer; the juniors contributed the gold cross badge. Hearty rounds of applause followed the honorary president's happy and culogistic speech of presentation. The twelve questions found when the question-box was opened, were replied to by Mrs. Lennox-Mills. A discussion on the united thank-offering, which will not be taken up till 1905, was introduced by a short paper by the Dorcas Secretary, in which she urged the recognition of small_as well as great mercies in a tangible way. "Give from pure love. Secrétly thank God for His gifts, and trust Him without His gifts." Another feature of the afternoon was the paper by Mrs. Woodcock, on "Perseverance," so necessary in W. A. werk, as in everything else. It was felt to be too good to be heard only by the Ontario delegates, and so was ordered to be printed and put in the W. A. library. The junior meeting began with a paper on J.W.A., and C.C.M.G. work since its inception, by the well-beloved diocesan secretary, who is devoted heart and soul to the work, after which the Rev. A. L. McTear, Cardinal, gave a rousing and extremely useful address, telling us that Moses had the first J.W.A. all to himseli, namely. Miriam, his self-effacing sister, and urging all to be perfectly willing to give up the glory of doing something they could do well to some

one else, who could do it equally well, and might be led to greater interest in the work by taking an important part of it. The women of Prescott who, as Mrs. Lennox-Mills said, had opened not only their homes, but their hearts, to the delegates, wound up their generous hospitality by a very pleasant reception at the rectory, in the evening. On invitation of Mrs. Ogilvie Dobbs, the meeting will be held in the parish of St. Paul's, Brockville, next year, when the thankoffering will be given to the Superannuation Fund.

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FOR THE FAMINE SUFFERERS.

Are any of the readers of the Canadian Churchman aware of the terrible distress existing now in China? The reports as quoted by the Christian Herald, of New York, are most heart-rending, as all reports from famine districts are. One missionary writes, "The famine is greatly increasing, and thousands are starving. It is very sad to see the poor, thin, sallow creatures just starving to death. Do you think any of the people here or at home would be willing to send some help? Could you not bring the matter before the foreigners and natives also, and see if something cannot be done ? Boys, girls, and women, are sold for food, for \$2, \$3, \$5, \$8, \$10, and so many are offered that purchasers are difficult to find. Whole iamilies are actually starving to death. One village has lost two hundred persons already. Unless something is done soon, thousands and thousands will starve to death."

The Rev. John E. Fee, of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, writes; "Many can hardly walk. Two days ago a man got a little rice from us, and on the next evening I saw him dead, lying in an old shed. This morning I saw one who received a little gruel yesterday, lying dead by the river-side. He probably fell, as it was rainy and slippery, and then could not get up, and, therefore, just lay there in the wet and died. Some faces haunt us day and night." The whole account is too long to quote. I will simply add the closing paragraph. The article is really the detailed report of United States Consul-General McWade, at Canton, China. "The natives here feel that the Americans have come amongst them for their and our mutual benefit, and not as their enemy, or to seize any of their lands, under any specious or other pretexts. I desire to emphasize that feeling by means of the great charity of our people at home, who, in their earnest efforts to relieve the needy and distressed, know no religion, no creed, no race, no nation. What they have done for the starving in Ireland and in Russia, I earnestly hope they, will do for the starving in Kwangsi, China." This letter was written on the 7th April, from China. Hong-Kong has been appealed to, and more organized measures for relief have been started. Yet one wishes so much to help these missionaries in their grand work of life-saving. I am not making any plea on the ground of their being missionaries of the Anglican Church. Very likely none of them are, it is to feed the starving I plead, and some hearts I know will feel and love to help. There is little one can add to the report sent, it speaks for itself, and our own hearts make the appeal. O let us help them all we can, help them for their own sakes, knowing well what our Master Christ would have us do, and what we do for them, we are doing for Him. May He send speedy help. May He speak to many hearts, and may they all listen and obey, and in our offerings of love may we be accepted for His sake, ourselves as well as our alms.

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Preached at the consocration of China Claur L Cathedral, Ottawa, by the Rev. Canon W. J Muckleston, M.A., rector of Perth.

In nomine Patis et Filiis et Spiritus Sanctis St. John 4: 24. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him, must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

After twenty-nine years of continuous use for the worship of Almighty God, this church, at length freed from the great burden of debt which lay upon it, is to-day being solemnly con secrated, and offered for divine service for all time to come. "In the midst of so solemn an act. it devolves upon one most unworthy to speak in the name of the Lord of the Church, of the thoughts which should be in the mind of His peopie on so joyíul yet so serious an occasion. Many of you have looked forward for years to this consummation; you have brayed faithfully, and you have given as you have prayed. We rejoice greatly with you to-day, and with you we have much in our minds, the memory of your pastor and leader of whose life this church and its wellbeing formed so large a part, and to whose memory this great and lovely church makes even a better monument than the Hall which you have specially called by his name. I humbly pray that the iew and foeble words which I have to say may be found helpful to some who are humbly and "happily rejoicing at this end of their toil, this iruition of their hopes. For not to praise man but to glorify God, would I try and speak today. All but the younger among us have noticed the very great increase in care about externals of public worship, not only among all sections of our own church, but among almost all bodies of professing Christians. Especially has this been the case in the matter of music; churches, which of old wished for and allowed only the simplest tunes, whereby all the people were encouraged to lift up their voices in praise, have now, with scarcely an exception, elaborate services and anthems in which (however, the people may be supposed to take part spiritually), they certainly cannot take any audible part. In other churches, the whole responding as well as the singing is left to the choir, and in almost all there is at least, the temptation to the pe not to try to use their own voices at all. The time when the service was actually left to the people, was at the longest, very brief. During the 250 years which followed the first issue of an English prayer-book in the mother tongue, but a small portion of the people could read, and the responses supposed to be made by them all, were made in their name by the parish clerk, often an ignorant man, while the people listened with the same content as they do now in places where the choir monopolizes the people's part, so that we may almost think that it has been found practically impossible to maintain a real congregational service. But sometimes it is desirable that a voice should be raised, not at all in protest against what cannot be avoided, but in earnest endeavour to arouse thought on such a practical matter, to induce answers to be given to such a question as may well be asked to-day, "What mean ye by this service?" According to St. John's account of our Lord's ministry, it was to a half-heathen woman in Samaria that he spoke the wonderful words of our text, which we may turn round and render in all sober truth that "they who do not worship God in Spirit and in truth do not really worship Him at all." Now in simplest form, or in most elaborate, in the gorgeous worship of to-day's festival, or in church service rendered in a log school-house, there is always the same possibility of a failure in the spirit and in the truth which make worship real, and without which there can be no worship at all. Easy is it for partisans of one form of service to cry against the upholders. of another. Our way is always right, the way

that it is seterally wrong, whereas, in sober truch there is a form with which real worship for ity the sincere and the humble, and there is no form under which there will not to hiller a reatines the sham and the maketables of the tilderrent to God who is a Spirit. With them is no doubt desirable that there end the second to devotion, the beauty of me or [1] - well-ordered form; yet, true worship must always be for the individual worshipper to accomplish for himself by the carnest endeavour to worship in spirit and in truth. Our people have received the tradition of always offering a silent prayer on emering the church before public worship begins. This form (if it is only a torm) is as uscless as any other mere form, but if it be used intelligently, it warns us of a need and helps towards its supply. For to keep the mind really fixed on each act of worship, to send each petition up winged with our own personal iaith, to mean each expression of praise, to think of what we do and say all through each service, is by no means an easy thing, and yet without such reality, public worship is of little use to us. And so we are taught to ask earnestly for grace to follow and to mean the whole service. Prayer from the heart comes through the lips, and rises like incense to the throne of God; the prayer which is not really meant comes from the teeth through the lips, and falls like a stone to the ground. Good is it to have loud-voiced harmony and mutual encouragement in our services. We speak not only to God who hears the prayer of the heart, but we speak with our fellows, and so we need and give encouragement. But in all our worship of God who is a Spirit, we need selfknowledge and self-examination. No prayer can be accepted which is not real. No form can avail unless it be winged with personal faith. What of our prayers? What of our praises? Do our thoughts wander in spite of effort? Do we always make an effort to restrain our thoughts Do we really think that mercly going to church and joining outwardly in the worship of the Allseeing and All-knowing, and going through our appointed forms of private prayer, are in themselves working as charms to make us better as by some miracle or some enchantment? And yet though it seems absurd to have to utter such a warning, there is a danger that such mistake, such fatal mistake, may be made from want of thought. And here let us remember the practical warning of one of the beatitudes: "Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God." If we cannot worship as we ought, if we rest content with mere forms, and skeletons of worship, without filling them and clothing them with life and with reality, is there not a cause. If there is neglect in our spiritual life; if there is the harbouring of that which is wrong; if there is failure in the careful seeking out and doing of that which is right; neglect of duty which is neglect of God, then it may well be that by encouraging within us that which makes for evil we are discouraging purity of heart, we are putting a barrier between us and God, we are drawing a cloud over our spiritual vision, and so we cannot realize God in our prayers, cannot see Him in any sense. Alas, there is ever a curse implied in every unused blessing, and the impure in heart are unblessed, for they cannot see God. It may be that some come to church as the publican came to the Temple, to pray, but when they really try as he tried they can only feel how impossible they have themselves made real prayer. Happy are they who see the fact as he saw it, and who are able to falter to God who loves such prayers as his: "God be merciful to me a sinner." Knowing ourselves, our failures, and our failings, knowing the poverty of our faith and the weakness of our wills, let us then begin at the beginning and gladly take the lowest room. So shall we be justified by Him who came to save sinners. So shall we hear from the Master of the Spiritual feast: "Friend, go up higher." Beginning with

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real confession, trusting in the promised grace of God to fight against sin and against neglect, we shall learn more and more the reality of prayer and its exceeding blessedness, we shall learn more and more to praise our God from the very depths of our renewed life. And so to you who love this church so well, and to whom this con--ceration is so great a happiness, the lesson is brought to-day of the absolute necessity of using all the externals of divine worship, and especially this glorious church and all its lovely services with spiritual wisdom and discretion to your own spiritual well-being; the lesson of never letting go the higher matters of religion, the object of God in giving us our religion, the true salvation of sinners from sin and selfishness, the glorifying of God in our hearts and in our lives, the exalting of honour, and high principle and purity of thought and life and unselfish love of others. Oh! what will not be the true glory of such a church as this when its worshippers all realize the objects for which it exists, and take into their inmost lives all that Church and church services can teach. So may it increasingly be with you my brother and sisters by the mercy of God.

By a timely and happy coincidence, the Synod of the diocese is here in its corporate capacity to assist in this consecration of the Cathedral of the diocese of Ottawa, and it seems to me that much of what we have said of this fabric in its outward glory, and its true lessons concerning that which is within, may be transferred to the church of the diocese, in its external and corporate working, and to the true inner work of which we may say that unless the Church is aiding in the creation and maintenance of the inner life, unless men are really better and "obler and purer for the teaching of the Church, then that the right of the Church to exist at all may be very seriously called in question. . The Church of Jesus Christ is sent by her Master to give and to spread the call to a higher life, to emphasize the work of Christ and to bring sinners to Him, to insist always and ever on change of heart and life, and on the way in which it may be accomplished. But to do its work, to maintain its services, to lay foundations for further increase, and especially as we are at this time so loudly reminded to provide for the very existence of the Church in regions beyond this diocese, we have much need of money, and to discuss money ^s and the raising of money and the management of money, seems to be the only matter of importance which can come before the annual council of the diocese. Brothers of Jesus Christ, is it not worth while sometimes to consider whether there is not some danger accompanying this very necessary part of the work of the Christian Church. The people to whom we are sent are not all filled with the Spirit of Christ; nay, there is no doubt whatever that, while the externals of Christianity are well maintained, while beautiful services are attended by crowds, while much money is expended on church buildings and church expenses, yet that practical infidelity is making great inroads, that we have reason to fear that Christianity is less and less a real power, and that everything in the iuture looks dark and threatening to those who look at the prospects of the true inner, life-transforming religion of Jesus. Everywhere and in all Christian bodies is there the same cry; of the practical "alienation of men; the growing indifference of parents to the godly upbringing of their children; of the increasing ignorance of the things of God, consequently to be noticed; of the neglect and profanation of the Lord's Day; of the irreligion and immorality of much of the popular literature and of many other signs of evil days coming on Christianity. And to all this we are practically asked to turn a deaf ear. To exact more money from those already disaffected, and certainly not giving from high and pure motives becomes an apparent necessity, and the latest and largest demand newest and

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is laid on us as if by revelation from heaven. That a halt can be called may seem impossible, but it is an awin thought that the Church of Him who had not where to lay His head, should seem now to find almost her chief work in exacting money both from those who love Him and from those who love Him not. Once more it may be sadly profitable for us

to learn in other ways the danger into which our system brings us, of laying all stress upon externals to the forgetfulness of true inner reality. How is a clergyman judged, not by the edification of his teaching, his tactful and Christian dealing with those who oppose themselves, but by his success in raising money, and in paying debts. llow is all our church-life judged by the one most untrustworthy standard of our statistics. Doubtless, when the Bishop of Rome met with his presbyters a year after the adoption of Christianity by Constantine, there was a magnificent statistical report, for the whole corrupt and filthy (albeit magnificent and wealthy) society of Rome had come over in a body. Think of the immense number of adult baptisms, and of confirmation candidates. Think of the enormous sums available for church buildings, and for clerical stipends, but if you would be fair and true, think also of what did not appear in the statistics, the hideous and awful life of Roman society, and of its unspeakable vices, and of its love of the gladiatorial and other inhuman shows, and the utterly damnable character of Roman slavery, and that of Christianity swallowing it all whole, and gladly putting her neck under that yoke of the world from which it has never been free from that day to this. Can statistics tell the truth about the real work of the church ? Do statisticians know the methods of arithmetic used by Him who sat over against the treasury, and marked with scorn and not with praise the rich man casting in much and declared with solemn authority which we dare not openly despise, that two mites cast in by a certain poor widow was more than all the great sums which the rich ostentatiously put into the treasury ? Can our annual reports make true returns of humble and contrite hearts, and of real prayer, and of Christ-like lives, and of earnest endeavours after good? Let us remember that no mistake of ours, no wasted efforts in seeking that which does not really profit, can avail to set aside the truth and the reality, can make the outward of more importance than the inward, can make money of more importance in Christian work than righteousness, and love and faith in God-and so our lesson for this day of joy, when you of this congregation meet to consecrate your parish church, when we of the Synod meet with you to dedicate anew our cathedral in a lesson to learn of Jesus Christ, what is his will for us; to seek to gauge all matters concerning the church with his measure; to dedicate and consecrate ourselves, our souls and bodies afresh to His holy service; to seek to take out of our inner lives all that is sordid and mean and unworthy, all that makes spiritual worship difficult or impossible. Furthermore, as we learn the consecration of our own lives from the consecration of this visible fabric, so let us seek by giving reality to our prayers, to bring a new consecration to our Synod and its work; to the Churchthe diocese and its efforts to win souls to Christ; to the Church in our great Dominion, with its new glad feeling of unity and of consequent power, so that exalting Christ as head over all in outward work and in inner life, we may each and all do our little part in advancing His glory, and setting forward the salvation of men. Laus Deo.

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NOVA SCOTIA.

Frederick Courtney, D.D., Bishop, Halifax, N.S.

Sydney.—A new church has been opened at Whitney Pier, which will seat 500 people. It is neatly finished. There is a surpliced choir, the only one in Cape Breton. The opening services took place on Sunday, June 14th. The Rev. A. P. Shatford, of North Sydney, officiated in the morning and the Ven. Archdeacon Smith in the atternoon, the Revs. J. P. Cox and A. P. Shatford assisting him.

Windsor.-King's College.-At a lengthy mucting of the Board of Governors, which was held on June 17th, from 8 o'clock to 2 a.m. next moruing, the scheme of federation was lost by a resolution not to confirm the motions carried lastyear by the Board of Governors on the subject. It was understood that the vote was 24 to 10. By subsequent resolution, it was decided to confirm the voice of the Synod of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and also the Alumni on this question. A resolution was passed asking the president of King's College, Dr. Willets, to resign and offering him the professorship of classics. On motion of Rev. Weston-Jones a committee was appointed to reorganize the Faculty and to report to the Board of Governors on September 8th. The committee is composed of Bishop Courtney, Canon Crawford, Rev. V. E. Harris, Rev. W. J. Armitage, Judge Hannington and Judge Forbes The resignation of A. B. DeMille, professor of English, was read and accepted. It is understood that he has accepted a position in a college in the United States. The offer of the Woman's Auxiliary to raise \$1,000 annually for a new chair in Divinity was gratefully accepted. A very successful concert was given by the students last night.

Milton.-The second quarterly meeting of the Clerical Association of the Church of England in P.E.I., met in the rectory at this place, on Wednesday morning, the 10th inst. There were present, Ven. Archdeacon Reagh, Revs. James Simpson, Henry Harper, L. T. W. Williams, J. A. Winfield, T. C. Mellor, C. R. Cumming, and Walter Cotton. Rev. Father Field, of the Society of St. John the Evangelist, Boston, was present as a visitor. After certain business had been dispatched, the Rev. Leo. Williams read a paper on "Clerical Types," which was followed by some discussion, and an informal "talk," by Father Field. On Wednesday morning, there was a celebration of the Holy Communion, at 8 o'clock, and on the Tuesday evening, prayer and addresses. The service was very hearty and the addresses helpful, the speakers and their subjects being as follows: Dr. Hunt; the People's Part in Public Worship; Rev. H. Harper, the Double Witness of the Church; Rev. T. C. Mellor, the Means of Grace; Rev. J. A. Winfield, Christian Giving.

warm the audience arose and sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow." Speeches were made by the Rev. R. P. McKim, the rector, and Mr. Henry Hilyard, W. B. Wallace stated that Count and Countess de Dury had granted forty feet of land at the rear of the church for the purpose of erecting on it a building in connection with the church for the accommodation of the Sunday school. He held in his hand a document vesting the title of the land in St Luke's church corporation. He hoped that a building would soon be erected. The choir sang the anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord." Mr. Arthur Farmer, secretary of the Sunday school, Mr. Brown, Mr. Kilpatrick and the rector spoke on the additional facilities that were needed for Sunday school work. It was also suggested that apartments be equipped for the pleasure, exercise and instruction of boys who did not belong to any church, such as those belonging to the tanyard gang. Mr. Scammel presented and described plans for the proposed new building. Miss Rubins and Mr. G. R. Craigie sang solos most acceptably. As the choir sang the closing hymn, envelopes were distributed for subscriptions for the proposed new building. One was returned containing a promise to pay at sight \$100.

QUEBEC.

Andrew Hunter Dunn, D.D., Bishop, Quebec, P.Q.

Lennoxville.—Bishops' College School.—The "Old Boys" of this school, who were pupils there during the time that Dr. H. J. Petry was the Head-Master, intend to make a presentation to him early next month, to show their great appreciation of him. The Rev. J. Oswald Rigby, the Head-Master designate of Trinity College School, Port Hope, has offered Dr. Petry a position on the staff of that school, which he has accepted.

Quebec.-Trinity.-A very pleasing reception was tendered to the Rev. B. Watkins, M.A., the new rector of this parish, and Mrs. Watkins, in the National School Hall, on Friday, June 19th. The reception was organized by the Ladies' Aid of the church and the hall was prettily decorated with flags. Mr. W. C. Scott, the people's warden, occupied the chair. After a short musical programme, Mr. Scott made a short address in which he warmly welcomed the new rector and his wife to the parish. Mr. Watkins, in reply, made a humorous speech, in which he thanked the people for their very hearty welcome to himself and wife. During the evening Mrs. Watkins was presented with a large bouquet of roses by three little girls belonging to the congregation. She rewarded the donors by affectionately kissing each one of them. A most pleasant and successful evening was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

The large majority of our people never enter the church doors, and many merely to hear the preacher, forgetting that worship is something higher. We go to church not to get, but to give; not to be entertained nor pleased, but to do our duty to God. We should look upon worship as a supreme and sacred obligation.

FREDERICTON.

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

Canterbury Station.—The Bishop is to hold a confirmation in this parish on July 14th. The rectory has been repainted outside recently a light slate colour with white trimmings.

St. John.-St. Luke's.-A special service was held in the vestry of this church on Thursday evening, June 18th, in commemoration of the raising of the debt of \$3,000 aginst the church. The bonds were burned before the audience amid much rejoicing. Whilst the embers were still

MONTREAL.

William Bennett Bond, D.D., Archbishop, Montreal, Q.

James Carmichael, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor,

Montreal, Q.

Montreal.- His Grace, Archbishop Bond, will visit the following places in the deanery of Iberville in the course of his pastoral visitations: Sunday, June 28th-Clarenceville, 10.30 a.m., Rév. Rural Dean Robinson; Noyan, 2.30 p.m., Rey, Rural Dean Robinson. Monday, June 20th-Lacolle, 10.30 a.m., Rev. Seth A. Mills rector. Tuesday, June 30th, Hallerton, 10.30 a.m., Rev. R. F. Hutchings, incumbent. Wednesday, July 1st -Hemmingford, 10.30 a.m., Rev. R. F. Hutchings, incumbent, Thursday, July 2nd-Havelock, 10.30 a.m., Rev. T. J. E. Wilson, incumbent, Friday, July 3rd Franklin, 10.30 a.m., Rev. T. J. E. Wilson, incumbent. Sunday,

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Montreal⁸. St. John the Evangelist.--A beautiful and appropriate addition has been made to the spacious but still inclushed chancel of this church. The family of the late Mrs. Errogst Howard have presented a costly set of wrought brass sanctuary lamps in her memory. The lamps are seven in number, and are from the arm of John Hardman & Son, of i ondon and Birminghar.

Diocesan Theological College An adjourned meeting of the Board of Governors of this college was held in the college, on Thursday, June 11th. The Bishop Coadjutor was in the chair, and among those present were Dean Evans, Archdeacon Norton, Canon Baylis, Rev. Principal Hackett, Rev. Principal Reviord, Rev. N. A. F. Bourne. Dean Johnson, Mr. George Hague, Mr. C. Garth. Mr. R. Wilson-Smith, and Mr. H. J. Mudge. It was resolved that the appointment of a principal be deferred until such time as His Grace Archbishop Bond shall be able to deliberate with the Board at length, and until the vice-president, Mr. A. F. Gault, will be so far restored to health as to share in the deliberations of the committee. It was resolved that the college shall reopen in September, under the direction of the Rev. Prof. Abbott Smith, supported by the Rev. O. W. Howard, and that due remuneration be made to each of these gentlemen_in view of the extra labor involved, and that they be requested to make all needed preparations for so carrying on the work until a principal be appointed and commences his duties. The following were appointed a committee to make further enquiries and suggest names in addition to those already reported to the Board by them, with a view to permanently filling the position of principal, Archbishop Bond and Bishop Carmichael, ex-officio; Mr. A. F. Gault, chairman; Dean Evans, convenor; Archdeacon Norton, Dr. Johnson, Mr. R. Wilson Smith, and the Rev. Canon Baylis.

ONTARIO.

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

Belleville - Christ Church On Tuesday even-

ster. 7 perc. Leenbardy. July 14th, 7 p.m., Jely 15th, 10.30 a.m., Rockport; 3 Les marginal. Warburton. The Synod of an case of Ontario, which met the first week this month was in many respects a remarkable ne. Practical Church work received a good ci attention, in the time devoted to misonary and Sunday school affairs. Besides the debates in the Symod, and the reports of cominitices, bearing on these two important things, an evening was set apart especially for each. On Monday evening Sunday schools were discussed from many points of view, and on Wednesday, the Ceneral Secretary and the Rev. Prof. Cody gave must teiling addresses on "Missions." The Bishop's charge was an exceedingly able and comprehensive deliverance, dealing with questions in both Church and State, in a broad and thorough manner. Public men have since written to him to commend his utterance regarding labour troubles, and the Board of Trade of one Canadian city passed a resolution, freely and fully endorsing his sentiments, and thanking him for giving expressign to them. The charge also gave some idea of the vast amount of work which the Bishop has carried through. "I completed my third visitation of the diocese," says he, before the second anniversary of my consecration, and am now engaged on the fourth." And his visitations are thorough. He leaves no parish or station where service is held, unvisited. He has shown himseli a worker in the fullest sense of the term, a Bishop whose business capacity and eloquence, learning and spiritual life make him a leader whom all can gladly and confidently follow. It is no conder the diocese has so hopeful a feeling in regard to its present and future condition.

To particularize, the three chief events of the Synod were: (1) The Bishop's charge, followed by an excellent report from the committee appointed to consider it, in which many practical suggestions were made. (2) The work of missions, to which great impetus was given by the General Secretary; and, incidentally, we might add, the great wisdom was shown of appointing a living agent to present to the Church the great importance of the work. (3) Sunday school work, which has been greatly revived during the past year, and a campaign inaugurated for carrying on much aggressive work during the coming autumn and winter. The business concerns of the diocese are being jealously watched and carefully attended to, but, the spiritual side is equally prominent. The cathedral services were well arranged and fully attended, and the delegates going from them to the sessions of Synod, could not but have felt the responsibility resting upon them as followers of Jesus Christ, and leaders in the work of His Kingdom. And such was apparently the case. There was not one angry debate. Indeed, the proceedings, except for the intensity of earnestness, might have seemed to the onlooker somewhat tame. But delegates had come for work, and work they did. Let us hope the effect of it will be seen in their Church life at home, and in their increased enthusiasm for all the interests of Christ's Church, The proposal to hold biennial sessions was not very favourably received. Yet much may be said in favour of such a move. A conference, held in alternate years, might perform some of the duties ci a Synod, while others could be looked after by the executive committee, and all its satellites. the lesser committees.

parish this week. He preached at St. Luke's, Williamsville, and Christ Church, Cataraqui, on Sunday, and began his work the next day. Mr. Hutton has marvellous powers, and is said to be able even to get gold from Kingston limestone. If so, he now has the chance of a lifetime. He is gradually closing in on the city, and a final attack may be expected almost any time. It is to be hoped everyone will meet him in the right spirit, and do his share in making the work a success. St. Marks', Barriefield, is to be visited on Sunday next, and the succeeding week.

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Trenton.—The Bishop returned on Saturday from Lennoxville, where he preached the convocation sermon, and at once set out on diocesan work. He held a Confirmation service here on Sunday morning.

Diocesan Notes:—The Rev. R. H. Steacy, curate of St. John's Church, Ottawa, has been asked by the parish of Bell's Corners to become its rector. Mr. Steacy very properly referred the deputation, Messrs. Foster, Hodgins, Abbott, Davis, Bell and Dawson to the Bishop, who has the patronage entirely in his own hands. The parish is a fairly good one, about ten miles from the city, but the income is not as large as in other country parishes less favourably situated. No doubt the Bishop will see to this as he looks well after the stipends of his clergy. The stipend at Bell's Corners should be fixed at the minimum of \$1,000. There are three congregations, and most of the people are wealthy.

The rector and churchwardens of St. James' Church, Perth, are making arrangements to have a surpliced choir at an early date.

The Bishop recently held a confirmation at an evening service in Killaloe, a thriving village in one of our so-called "backwoods missions." Among those confirmed were nine young girls, vested in white and with white veils and caps. Early next morning, in their white dresses and veils, they attended the celebration—a very pretty sight in this little church in the woods. Killaloe will be heard from yet again. It is a live Mission with a live parish. The Bishop's tour included Cobden, Mattawa, Almonte, Montague, Port Elmsley, Morrisburg, Novar, and Hawkesbury. The clergy congratulate Canons Phillips and

Kittson on their preferment.

The Bishop has recently made the following appointments; the Rev. R. H. Jones, to the parish of Aultsville, and the Rev. J. Hunter to the parish of Eganville.

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ing, June 9th, the Rev. O. H. Howard, B.D., professor of Church history at the Diocesan Cellege, Montreal, delivered an interesting address in the school-house on "The Reformation in England." He handled his subject in a masterly fashion.

Kingston.-The following are the Bishop's engagements: June 24th, 11 a.m., Stirling; 7 p.m., Frankford. June 25th, 11 a.m., Carrying Place; 7 p.m., Consecon. June 26th, 10.30 a.m., Hillier: 2.30 p.m., Gerow Gore; 7 p.m., Wellington, June 28th, 11 a.m., St. John's, Belleville; 7 p.m., Christ Church, Belleville, June 20th, 11 a.m., Christ Church, Tyendinaga; 3 p.m., All Saints, Tyendinaga; 7.30 p.m., Shannonville, confirmation. June 30th, 8 p.m., Tweed, confirmation, July 1st, 11 a.m., Actinolite; 7 p.m., Queensboro. July 2nd, 11 a.m., Bannockburn; 3 p.m., Millbridge; 7"p.m., Glanmire. July 3rd, 11 a.m., Moneymore; 3 p.m., Thomasburg; 7 p.m., Roslin, July 5th, 10.30 a.m., New Dublin; 3 p.m., Ballycanoe; 7 p.m., Lyn. July 6th, 7 p.m., Westport. July 7th, 10.30 a.m., Fermoy; 3 p.m., Bedford Mills. July 8th, 10.30 a.m., Newboro; 3 p.m., Portland; 7 p.m., Elgin, July 9th, 10.30 a.m., Leeds; 3 p.m., Seeley's Bay; 7 p.m., Lyndhurst, July 10th, 7 p.m., Frankville, July 11th, 10.30 a.m., Easton's Corners; 3 p.m., Redan. July 12th, 10.30 a.m., Lansdowne; 3 p.m., Delta; 7 p.m., Athens. July 13th. 3 p.m.; New

Belleville.—St. Thomas.—Plans have been prepared for a chancel, organ chamber, and vestry for this church. The plans show a well-proportioned chancel which will complete this fine old building, and make it all that can be desired. The cost will be about \$2,500. The Bishop held confirmation in this church on Sunday evening, last.

Cataraqui.-Christ Church.-The Rev. Cr-J. Hutton, diocesan canvasser, is at work in this

OTTAWA.

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

Ottawa.-The Synod of the diocese opened its eighth annual session, in this city, on Tuesday morning, June 16th, with a large representation of the laity, and I think all the clergy. The evening service on Monday was under the direction of the Precentor of the Synod, Archdeacon Bogert. A very earnest sermon was preached by the Rev. L. N. Tucker, General Secretary M.S.C.C., who was in attendance at the Synod officially, and no doubt, did much to arouse interest in the great work of the society. The \$5,100 from this diocese has all been apportioned, but only in the city has the apportionment been actually contributed, and more than was expected has been forthcoming. The General Secretary's address will do much to warm up the enthusiasm of the country delegates, and the apportionment from each parish will, doubtless, be ready when due. (The plan is new, of course, and will take time to get into smooth running order, but there is no lack of ability, nor, I am sure, will there be any lack of will when the laity are called upon. The consecration of the cathedral, on Tuesday morning, was most impressive, the order and dignity of the service maintaining the high

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tions. Mattins was said at an early hour, and at

10 o'clock the rector and his staff of clergy and

churchwardens and the choir met the Bishop, at-

tended by the Archdeacon and the clergy of the

diocese, at the west end of the centre aisle, where

the petition for the consecration was presented

and read by Mr. A. E. Fripp. The Bishop before

proceeding to the act of solemn consecration, an-

nounced the appointment of two new canons to

the cathedral, the Rev. Arthur Phillips, of Hawkes-

bury, and the Rev. H. Kittson, rector of the

cathedral, and admitted and installed them accord-

ing to ancient usage, after which the Rev. Canon

Muckleston, rector of Perth, and a former curate

of the cathedral, preached a very instructive

sermon from the text, "God is a Spirit, and they

that worship Him, must worship Him in Spirit

and in truth. The Canon is one of the few really

able preachers we have in this diocese, and no

better choice could have been made for this

occasion. The sermon was a valuable one, and

we print it in order that its suggestions may have

due attention. The Synod did little on Tuesday,

and I must close my report now, and leave an

account of the proceedings for next week. It was

quite interesting to see the Venerable Canon

Loucks, of Picton, the first curate of old Christ

Church, and his son, the Rev. W. M. Loucks,

rector of St. Matthew's, and late curate of the

cathedral, ministering side by side in the sanctuary

at the consecration service, the former being

epistoler, and the latter gospeller. Revs. C. P.

Emery and Canon Pollard, former curates, also

Bell's Corners .- The Rev. R. H. Steacy, curate

of St. John's, Ottawa, has been appointed rec-

tor of this parish. He will enter upon his new

Cobden.--A deputation waited upon the Rev.

Montague Gower-Poole and Mrs. Poole, at the

rectory, on June 13th, 1903, and presented a very

handsome buggy and set of harness to the

rector and a purse to Mrs. Poole, with the fol-

lowing address:-" Cobden, June 12th, Rev. Rural

Dean and Mrs. Poole. On behalf of the people

of your parish, we wish to thank you for your

earnest work in the past years, and we pray that

you may be blessed with health and strength long

to continue in your duties. We feel that were we

as willing to adhere as you to minister to us

that your parish would flourish. We ask you to

accept these gifts from your people, and trust

that they will give you both comfort and pleasure.

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the following s, to the parish r to the parish Arthur Baldwin, and acknowledged with gratitude the generous contributions -\$1,759-of Hon. S. H. Blake, through whose liberality the widows and orphans could now be paid in full on the first day of each quarter. The deficit this year had been reduced from \$1,000 to \$600. How best to stimulate interest in Sunday school work engaged the attention of the Synod the entire afternoon yesterday. The subject was introduced in the form of a report from the Sunday School Committee, read by Rev. Canon Cayley, who recommended the appointment by the General Synod of an officer, whose duty it should be to edit Lesson Helps, and also a weekly paper for Sunday school scholars, similar to the publications now issued in the United States and the United Kingdom. The report also stated that an honour examination for teachers has been arranged for, to begin in 1904. There will be three examinations in three consecutive years in (1) Scripture, (2) Prayer Book, and (3) Art of Teaching, with a paper on Scripture. Rev. C. L. Ingles and Mr. C. R. W. Eiggar were appointed delegates to the Inter-Diocesan Sunday School Committee. In line with the suggestion of the committee, Rev. A. Hart moved that the General Synod be memoralized to appoint a general superintendent of Sunday schools, a part of whose duties shall be the editing of Lesson Helps for scholars and teachers, and a children's paper. He thought no one would say there was not much room for improve- a ment in the Lesson Helps, and this help, he thought, could be best conferred by instruction through the eye to supplement the instruction through the ear now received. These Lesson Helps would also tend to promote uniformity in the instruction received. This motion was afterwards withdrawn by Mr. Hart. The Rev. Principal Sheraton, of Wycliffe College, pointed out that the motion called for a confusion of duties. Not only were the duties of superintendent not defined, but they were of a distinctly different character from the editorial duties, which the same man would have to perform. A man who might be qualified to perform one of these duties might not be qualified to perform the other. He would be inclined to favour the appointment of a superintendent for this diocese alone. Mr. C. R. W. Biggar endorsed Principal Sheraton as to the necessity of a division of the duties. He favoured the appointment of a superintendent, but not of one Lesson Help editor. He thought they would all agree that they could not have too many Lesson Helps of the right kind. With this point in view, he had, not long ago, voted for the Interdiocesan system of lessons as against the Interhis stipend of \$4,000 a year being paid. Since that time only about \$10,000 has been paid as a result of the neglect of numerous country parishes tailing in their promises to pay their allotments. Mr. Blake, in the course of his remarks, made it known that one of his ambitions before he died was to see built a good Synod hall and room. The present premises were quite unsuitable for the Synod's purposes, and he was not amazed that so few spectators were present because of the structure, where little could be heard or seen. Mr. Blake also urged better salaries for the parochial clergy. He expressed a wish that the Diocesan Mission Fund should be raised from \$12,000 to \$20,000 for this purpose. The Revs. J. M. Little, E. C. Cayley, ex-Mayor Boswell, and C. R. W. Biggar, took part in the debate which followed. The report was eventually unanimously adopted, and an order was passed to provide the \$1,600 still lacking of the Bishop's salary, \$4,000, out of the general account, and raise the sum by parochial assessment. It was moved by the Rev. Charles Ingles and adopted: "That it is desirable to form a Sunday School Association for the whole diocese, to be known as the Toronto Diocesan Sunday School Association, and that any deanery associations now existing within the diocese, or that may hereafter be formed, shall become branches of the said Diocesan Association." The Executive Committee of Synod was clected as follows: Clergy, Revs. H. J. Cody, A. H. Baldwin, John Langtry, John Gillespie, F. H. DuVernet. Laymen. Hon. S. H. Blake, K.C.; Dr. T. Millman, J. H. Mason, G. B. Kirkpatrick, C. P. W. Biggar, K.C., and J. R. Roaf received an equal number of votes for fifth place, and Mr. Biggar withdrew in Mr. Roaf's favor. The Bishop then named the following as his appointees: Archdeacon Allen, Archdeacon Boddy, Canon Sweeny, Frovost Macklem, Canon Spragge, Dr. J. A. Worrell, K.C., C. R. W. Biggar, K.C., A. R. Boswell, K.C., F. E. Hodgins, K.C., and W. Ince. The standing committee of the Synod for 1903-4, underwent a few changes. On the Clergy Commutation Trust Fund Committee, the name of Evelyn Macrae was substituted for that of A. H. Campbell. West Simcoe will be represented on the Mission Board by Rev. E. H. Musson, R. H. Coleman was also elected to the board in place of W. H. Hoyle, who is not now a member of the Synod. Other changes in the standing committees were: Hon. Senator Dobson, instead of E. A. DuVernet, on the Widows' and Orphants' fund; J. A. Kamerer on the Church Extension Committee, in place of O R. Macklem, and Hon. S. H. Blake in place of A. H. Campbell. The other standing committees, along with those changed, were adopted. Following the adoption of the reports on the standing committee, Mr. F. E. Hodgins, in a lengthy address, moved that a change should be made in the manner of conducting the conference of the Diocesan Synod. His motion was to the effect that matters of a purely business nature should be dealt with by a large committee, and reported to the general meeting, and that only the first two mornings should be taken up with the discussion of these business matters. He would be in favor of matters referred to being dealt with during the evening meetings, if necessary. The afternoons were to be taken up with the discussion of the progress of the Church and its spiritual welfare. The motion was carried and referred to the Executive Committee.

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

Synod concluded.

The Rev. H. C. Dixon presented his report, stating that during the five and a half months since his appointment, he had visited 66 churches, had travelled 3,088 miles, and had delivered 132 sermons and addresses. The Rev. H. C. Dixon followed up his report by a very earnest appeal for the support of the Diocesan Missions. In order to better distinguish the work being done by Mr. Dixon and that being done by Rev. L. N. Tucker, the general missionary secretary of the M.S.C.C., which many people confused, it was deeided to change Mr. Dixon's title to Diocesan Organizing Secretary. Mr. Dixon was appointed editor of the Diocesan Chronicle, which it was decided to revive. The report of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund was presented by Rev.

national system, not because the latter contained anything that the Church of England was afraid to teach, but because the International lesson scries had been emasculated in the interests of Baptists, Methodists, and other denominations who were afraid to teach the whole Bible. The latter part of the afternoon having been set apart for a reception at the See House, the Synod adjourned without having completed the discussion. The Rev. C. L. Ingles and Mr. C. R. W. Biggar, K.C., were appointed delegates to the Inter-Diocesan Sunday School Committee. In the evening the school-house was crowded to the doors, when the annual missionary meeting took place. The Bishop presided, and addresses of great interest were given by the Rev. J. R. S. Beyd, on the work in China; Dr. Tom Jays, on the work in West Africa, and the Rev. H. C. Dixon, on the work at home, particularly giving an interesting account of the mission at Minden. It is evident that Mr. Dixon is the right man in the right place.

Thursday.—The morning's session of the Synod was largely taken up discussing the Episcopal Endowment Fund report, submitted by Hon. S. H. Blake. The then bishop of some years ago was forced to send in his resignation through the irregular payment of his stipend. It was then decided to create a fund of \$20,000 to guarantee The important subject of Church extension through the various channels provided, as contained in certain commendations of the special committee appointed to deal with these matters, furnished the bulk of the business before the Synod in the afternoon. The report of the committee was divided into five sections, each section dealing with a different phase of the movement. Rev. Dr. Langtry was chairman of the committee, and himself presented several of the sections for consideration. The first section recommended JANADIAN CHURCHMAN.

and Rev. C. H. Marsh, confer with Rev. H. C Dixon, and co-operate with the Mission Board to actively prosecute a plan for Church extension. which calls for a reorganization of the parochial and missionary work of the Church by providing (1) for combined work to be undertaken in endowed parishes and strong centres, by a priest. deacon, and at least one layman, and in smaller places by services as opportunity might afford. ail such work to be under the direction of the rector or incumbent; (2) that His Lord-hip be requested to admit as lay readers, or to the permanent diaconate, devout men, instructed in the truth, and capable of teaching and speaking effectively, who will undertake such work as may Le assigned them; (3) that a guild of parish workers be organized, corresponding to the Lpworth League or Christian Endeavor Society. The motion was carried. The second section in the same report recommended that the clergy earch for young men who might be suitable for the ministry, or for the Lay Helpers' Association. The motion was adopted and reierred to a sub-committee, consisting of the Rev. Canon Cayley and Rev. G. A. Kuhring, to correspond with rural deans and heads of theological colleges. Prof. Wm. Clark, of Trinity University, moved the adoption of the third section, recommending that men not looking forward to the priesthood should be admitted to the permanent diaconate on certain conditions, such officers of the Church not necessarily abandoning their secular calling, nor wearing the clerical garb, nor being styled reverend. In speaking to the motion. Professor Clark said the average Anglican layman was respectable but coy. There was a certain shyness about them which he thought was not found in Nonconformist laymen. Laymen in the Church had a proper regard for the sacred offices and dignity of the Church, and did not want to seem to be usurping authority. Neither did they want to be styled reverend. Well, it had been settled that they were not reverend. The motion was adopted, and Rev. Provost Macklem, Rev. Canon Sheraton, Messrs. N. W. Hoyles and G. B. Kirkpatrick were instructed to endeavour to secure a band of volunteers who are willing to become permanent deacons. The fourth section in the report recommended that the Synod, as at present constituted, meet only every second year, and that in alternate years a diocesan conference be held to deal with matters which more particularly come within the scope of a conference. This recommendation was referred to the Executive Committee. The Rev. H. C. Dixon, in moving the last resolution in the report, recommending the organization of Young People's Associations in the Church, said he was satisfied the Church was losing many of the young people because they had no organization within the Church to interest them. The particular constitution recommended to the Synod in this section was that of the Anglican Y. P. A. of the Diocese of Huron, which seemed to be the most effective. The general object of the association was to co-operate in all forms of Church work, and for the religious, social and intellectual elevation of the members. The Rev. H. C. Dixon, the Rev. J. S. Broughall, Messrs, B. H. Scott, and Thos. Mortimer, were named as a sub-committee to correspond with the clergy and see whether such associations could be localized in this diocese. in discussing this resolution, Rev. C. H. Marsh, Hon, S. H. Blake and others viewed the innovation of Young People's Associations with some alarm, as threatening to destroy the home inflacnce. The associations, however, found a vigorous defender in Mr. Blaney Scott. The motion was then adopted. When the Synod resumed its session in the evening, Mr. T. R. Q'Meara criticized the last clause of the Church extension report, stating that the committee had been unable to deal practically with his motion in regard to lay work paesed in 1001. Mr. O'Meara said that the sub-

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committee had not been called together until last loy, and then for only half an hour. He asht the syned committees ought to get down to business, and therefore he moved that his peolition be again referred to a sub-committee. the motion carried, and the report was adopted. Mr. W. D. Gwynne then presented the report of the committee on the state of the Church. This document was divided into four heads: Diocesane Statistical Returns, Collections for Missionary and Other Purposes, Superannuation Fund, and Searcity of Clergy. In the report it was stated that rural deans were somewhat lax in their methods of making their annual returns. Mr. W. D. Gwynne moved that the rural dean be made re-ponsible for collecting these returns and forwarding them to the Bishop; that the secretarytreasurer do communicate with each rural dean every year, reminding him of this duty, and that . it be referred to the Executive Committee to simplify the prescribed form. This motion was adopted. For the collections of funds for missionary and other purposes, it was decided to give every parish a free hand. As the responsibility rests with the clergy and churchwardens, the committee content themselves with drawing their attention to the call now made in this time of revival to organize for the adequate raising of all special collections, recommending that meetings of congregations be called at once in every parish where some organization has not been already adopted. The question of the superannuation fund brought forth the following resolution, moved by Mr. W. D. Gwynne, and seconded by Canon Sweeny, "That upon this fund depends the wellbeing of the Church, and the time calls for such a general effort as has been made during the past few years on behalf of the mission fund." Considerable time was taken up discussing the question of superannuation of old and otherwise incapacitated clergy, and a number of suggestions were made. Many thought that there should be some means of raising this fund besides paying agents a commission for its collection. , The manner in which collections will be made in future was referred to the committee to report upon. Concerning the scarcity of clergy, the committee's recommendation was that considering the absence of any hope of change or promotion for the country clergy, such measures be adopted as would make the compulsory removal of both mission and parish clergy a possibility. This last clause provoked a considerable amount of discussion. The Rev. E. C. Cayley suggested that for the relief of men not contented with their place, the Bishop should have a small company of advisors, clergy whose wisdom he and the Church trusted, through whom suggestions might be nade. The Bishop, in reply, said that he must guard the episcopal office, not as his own, but that the position of his successors might not be weakened. The proposal was new in the Church. In accordance with the usages of the English Church, he had years ago proposed the appointment of a number of canons, whose advice he might seek in such cases as suggested, but the proposal had been rejected. He said the canon law provided for compulsory removal. The Rev. F. W. Goodeve said that he knew of many cases such as Mr. Cayley had cited, and remarked that there was a growing desire in the Church for a modified itinerancy as a remady for abuses of this kind. At the conclusion of Mr. Goodeve's address, the Synod adjourned till the following morning.

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house. Upon motion of Principal Sheraton and Mr. Frank Hodgins, K.C., the principle of a syllabus of Scripture lessons for use in the public schools to be prepared by representatives of the various religious denominations in collaboration was approved. Mr. Baldwin supplemented the report with a speech in support of voluntary schools. Mr. S. H. Blake stated that Mr. Baldwin's propaganda for voluntary schools had set back six or seven years the efforts to secure religious instruction in the public schools, because the other religious bodies would not countenance voluntary schools. Rev. Chas. Ingles defended Mr. Baldwin, and said the sentiment in favor of voluntary schools was growing. Mr. John Ewan emphatically denounced the voluntary school as an attack on the public school system. If anyone wanted to see how the voluntary schools operated they had only to go to the Maritime Provinces, where there were half a dozen schools in every little hamlet, and often they were without teachers, because there was no money, and the teachers employed could do better by going to St. john or Halifax, and going to work as servant girls. In amendment to Mr. Baldwin's motion ior the adoption of the report, Mr. A. E. O'-Mcara, seconded by Hon. S. H. Blake, moved that the adoption of the report do not commit the Synod to the support of voluntary schools. The amendment was carried by a large majority. It was decided that the Anglican representatives on the joint denominational committee for the preparation of the syllabus should be a clerical and a lay representative from each diocese in Ontario. Provost Macklem and Dr. N. W. Hoyles, K.C., were appointed to represent Toronto. The Bishop objected to the doleful tone of the report by the Committee on the State of the Church, despite very substantial reasons for setisfaction. The clause dealing with the supply of men for the ministry was sent back to be reperted upon next year. A supplementary report was adopted, approving the proposal that the Toronto and Montreal dioceses co-operate in the holding of a Canadian Church Congress triennially, and that a committee be appointed to give effect to the suggestion. The report of the committee appointed to co-operate with the Prisoners' Aid Association was adopted, including a grant of \$50 to the association. The report of the committee on the Gothenburg system of control of the liquor traffic, approving the system, was adopted and the following were appointed to constitute the committee during the coming year: Rev. C. L. Ingles, Canon Welch, Canon Sweeny, F. H. DuVernet, J. H. Teney, F. Vipond, and R. A. Sims; Messrs. W. F. Summerhayes, G. B. Kirkpatrick, W. S. Fitzgerald, R. H. Coleman, N. W. Hoyles, K.C., and E. Macrae. The old and somewhat vexed question of the claims of the Misses O'Neill came up in the afternoon, and was happily disposed of. The report of the committee to whom the matter was referred was submitted by Mr. Frank Hodgins, K.C. It was against the claims of the Misses O'Neill. The

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Friday.—The Synod, on this the closing day of the session, took an important step in regard to religious instruction in the public schools. By a large majority the idea of voluntary schools was disapproved. 'The report of the Committee on Religious Instruction in the Public Schools was introduced by Mr. Lawrence Baldwin, the apostle of voluntary schools. It was practically a statement of the proceedings of the educational conference recently held in St. James' school-

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claim is against the Rectory Fund, on account of the cancellation of a lease of 118 and 120 King street east. It was agreed that there was no legal claim against the rectors. The Rev. R. J. Moore urged that there was a moral claim. The Rev. Dr. Langtry said he believed that if the matter were referred to Hon. S. H. Blake, Frank Hodgins, A. R. Boswell, and N. W. Hoyles, the rectors would be willing to do whatever was recommended. That was approved by Canon Cayley and Hon. S. H. Blake warmly commended the proposal. He held that there was no legal claim against the rectors, but said they were deriving advantage-from something they had not paid ior. A motion embodying the suggestion was moved by Dr. Langtry, seconded by Canon Cayley, and carried unanimously. The principal recom-mendation in the report of the Committee on Observance of the Lord's Day was that the first Sunday after Easter be set apart as a Lord's Day Sunday, as is largely done in Great Britain and the United States, upon which special sermons and addresses may be delivered, impressing the obligations and privileges of the Lord's Day. Lieut.-Col. O'Brien, in discussing the recommendation, called attention to what he thought was a growing evil, due to the increased extravagance and luxury of the age. This was the habit of the city people, who, when they went to the country to spend a vacation, entirely disregarded the Lord's Day. This was specially felt by persons who lived in the country, and who were not used to the practices of city life. The people who thus ignored the Lord's Day were, he had reason to believe, exemplary in their attendance when at home. The report was adopted, and the committee reappointed. The motion to amend the Criminal Code to prohibit all race track betting and wagering, of which the Rev. C. L. Ingles gave notice on the previous Tuesday, was taken up, and after being spoken to briefly by the mover and seconder (the Rev. F. H. DuVernet), was adopted without dissent. This being disposed of, and the business before the Synod having been transacted in full, the usual votes of thanks were passed, and the Eishop pronounced the Benediction, after which the Synod was adjourned, sine die, and the members dispersed.

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

duce the encumbrance until it was paid off. At the close of the address His Lordship dismissed the people with the Benediction.

HURON.

Maurice Scollard Baldwin, D.D., Bishop, London.

London.-Cronyn Memorial Church.-A pleasant iunction took place Friday evening, June 12th, at a social held in the school-house, when the Rev. R. W. Woodroofe, who has been appointed to a curacy at the historic old St. Paul's Church, Ualifax, was made the recipient of a purse of gold, accompanied by an address. The address was read by Mr. F. P. Betts, and the presentation was made by Mr. O. H. Talbot. The address was as follows: "Dear_Mr. Woodroofe,-Upon the eve of your departure from our midst, consequent on your acceptance of the call to St. Paul's church, Halifax, we take the opportunity of expressing our sincere affection towards you, as well as our appreciation of your many estimable qualities. Your loss will be keenly felt by all the organizations of our church, but more especially in connection with the Sunday school and children's services, in which your labours have been signally blessed by God. During your short stay in our midst, you have been indefatigable in your efforts to assist one and all of us in reaching the highest standard of Christian development, and we feel assured that you have been instrumental in bringing many to know the Master you so faithfully serve. While it only remains for us to join in wishing you every success in your new field of labour, still we cannot let you depart without adding to this expression of our regret the request that you accept the accompaying gift as in a small measure testifying to our appreciation of your sterling worth. May God's blessing go with you, and may He keep thee in all places whither thou goest. Signed on behalf of the congregation. - James Granger, Andrew Ellis, Church Wardens." The Rev. Mr. Woodroofe replied suitably. Mr. F. P. Betts was chairman during the evening, and also on the platform were Rev. Dr. Beaumont and Messrs. William Scarlett, R. W. Evans, O. H. Talbot, C. H. Armitage, and H. T. Reason. A programme was rendered, the following taking part.-Misses Armitage, Butler, Moore, Sanborne, Beaumont, Rowed, Scott, and Mr. John Doherty. A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Synod of the diocese of Huron was held on Monday afternoon the 15th inst. in Bishop Cronyn Hall. The Bishop presided, and after opening services, conducted by Rev. Rural Dean Robinson, the minutes of the last meeting were confirmed. The Finance Committee reported through the Dean on the accounts paid and to be paid. Report adopted. The Mission Committee recommended (1) the adoption of the report of the Bishop's Commissioner to Lakeside, Thamesford, and parts adjacent. (a) That Lakeside be detached from Thamestord, and be constituted a separate mission. (b) That Crumlin be detached from the Memorial church, London, and be attached to Thamesford. Carried. The matter of the parsonage of Thamesford to be left an open question. (2) The adoption of the report of the Bishop's commissioner to Mt. Pleasant, Norwich and other places. (a) That St. John's West Brantford, be detached from Grace church and be attached to Mt. Pleasant. (b) That Kelvin be detached from Mt. Pleasant and attached to Norwich. (c) That Otterville be placed under the charge of a superannuated clergyman. (3) The adoption of the report of the commissioner to Shipley and parts adjacent. That Shipley be detached from Attwood, and attached to Listowel. Carried. (4) The adoption of the report of the Committee on Indian Schools. (a) That the present grant be continued. (b) That the missionaries in charge of such missions be required to visit said schools and examine



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the pupils, and to report on the same to the Bishop every quarter. Carried. (5) That the appeal from Southampton against its assessment is too late for action this year. Adopted. The Committee on Income and Expenditure reported through Canon Young that the work of the financial agent, Rev. E. Roy, had resulted in obtaining the sum of \$1,393.50 in cash and promises since last meeting. On motion the Bishop was requested to appoint a commissioner to visit the county of Kent with a view to certain reorganization. The vestry of St. George's church, Sarnia, asked leave to self portions of the old rectory, and of the old cemetery lots and to apply the same to the mortage, Granted. The vestry of Trinity church, Blenheim, asked leave to sell the old lot at Shrewsbury, and to apply the proceeds towards paying off the debt. Granted. The annual report to the Synod was then read and adopted. The report will be presented to the Synod, and printed in due time. Feeling reference was made by several members to the removal by death of the late Rev. J. H. Moorhouse and Messrs. A. H. Dymond and R. Shaw-Wood, members of this committee, and the resolutions prepared by the special committee to whom the matter was referred, expressed the sense of loss sustained, and the sympathy of the committee with the relatives of the deceased, were each carried by a standing vote. An application was received from the Rev. S. Brigham, missionary at Walpole Island, for increased grant. On motion of Canon Davis a special grant was made for the post, and an increase for the coming year granted. A special grant was made to the Rev. J. G. Hooper, under special circumstances. After other matters the committee adjourned at 6 o'clock.

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Guelph.-St. James'.-On Sunday evening, the 14th inst., a meeting of the congregation was held in the school-house immediately after the close of the evening service, at which an address was delivered by the Bishop of the diocese. The Bishop stated that he sympathized very much with the people of St. James' in being so long without a spiritual head. Through all their difficulties they had possessed the hearty assistance of the vicar of St. George's, who ministered to them and through whose efforts a supply had been secured for each Sunday. His Lordship said he had been greatly pleased with the hearty service of the evening, and complimented the choir and their leader on the manner in which the service had been rendered. He also referred to the organist, and said it was very seldom he heard music to equal that of St. James'. The Bishop then said he had learned from Mr. Saunders and the wardens that it was the desire of the congregation to have for their rector, the Rev. C. P. Sparling, now rector of Palmerston. He was a young man full of zeal, and quite capable of performing the difficult duties that would devolve upon him. It would, the Bishop said, give-him much pleasure to appoint Mr. Sparling, rector of St. James', and he would pray that a new era would be opened to the congregation. It was very gratifying to His Lordship to know that during the last year a substantial amount had been paid off the indebtedness on the church, and he hoped that the people would continue to re-

RUPERT'S LAND.

Robert Machray, D.D., Archbishop and Primate, Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg.-St. Luke's.-The Rev. T. W. Savary, the new rector of this church, was formerly inducted into the living on Sunday morning, June 14th, by the Ven. Archdeacon Fortin, D.D. At the evening service, Mr. Savary preached an impressive sermon from the test, "I have a message from God unto thee," Judges 3:20.

St. John's Cathedral. On Sunday morning the

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Land, held a general ordination in this self-edit, when the following were ordained deacous and prasts respectively: Deacons, Mesers, Julius-Larzen, Harold Larzen, and Charles Harrington, all three of whom are recent arrivals from 1 n., hand. Priests, the Revs, W. J. Rowe, B. V. M. LaTouche Thompson, Maurice Saunderson, J. W. Wolfe, T. J. Shannon, and D. Currie. The Revy Harold Larzen read the gospel. The caudidates were presented to His Grace by the Very Rev Dean Mattheson. The ordination seriion was preached by the Rev, E. F. Phair, the celebram at the Holy Communion being the Lord Bishop of Qu'Appelle. The Revs, Canons Coonbes and Murray also took part in the service, "

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Brandon. St. Matthew's. ~ 3 he Rev. $_{k}$ W. B. Sisam, curate of this church, has been appointed curate of St. Luke's Cathedrai, Halifax, and he will enter upon his new duties at once.

SASKATCHEWAN AND CALGARY.

William Cyprian Pinkham, D.D., Bishop, Calgary.

Banff. The services here through the season, are being taken from May to the end of July, by the Rev. W. J. Taylor, rector of St. James' Claurch, St. Mary's, Ont., and through August and September, by the Rev. Protessor Plumptre, of Wycliffe College, Toronto. Visitors from almost all parts of the world come to this beautinul spot during the summer, and is a most important matter that the Church should be well represented. There is a pretty little stone church here, which will shortly be enlarged. The Bishop expresses his great pleasure and satisfaction at the way in which the work is being carried on.

KOOTENAY.

John Dart, D.D., Bishop-in-charge.

Rossland. On Tuesday, the 9th mst., advantage was taken of the presence of the Bishop of New Westminister and Kootenay in this town, to hold an impressive function in the dedication of the memorial fountain to Father Pat. At noon his lordship was escorted from the Allen house to the scene of the work by the mayor and Judge Nelson, and in the presence of a large gathering, the former in a lew well selected words called upon the Bishop to perform the cere mony of dedication. The Bishop referred very feelingly to Father Pat as one with whom he had long been in very intimate relations and whom he valued, as his Rossland friends did, most highly. He spoke of the familiar soubriquet of "Father Pat", as the loving recognition of the character a man, and the fact which he had heard stated that the name was first given him by the Roman Catholic Bishop Dontenwill, was just an illustration of the broad catholicity and wide sympathy of "poor Irwin." "But," the bishop added, "I should not use that term. We have no right to say "poor Irwin," for he is more blessed and happier where he is, and be sure with all the good services he did here he is doing a better service in a wider field now." Reference was made to the wider field in which his memory is treasured, for instance at his own college in Oxford, where the Warden, who has contributed towards the fund for a memorial church, made very loving reference to Pat Irwin, as they remembered him there. At the conclusion of the address the centre marble bowl on the south side of the fountain was adjusted and the Bishop dedicated the monument with the following words: "I dedicate this fourtain erected for the sustenance and relief of man and beast, to the honor and glory of the ever blessed and undivided Trinity, and in the memory of Henry Irwin, priest and missionary of the Church of England, and some time rector of this parish." At St. George's church in the a ternoord, the Billeop administered the rite of the laying on of hands in Confirmation upon a stall hand of candidates, delivering an earnest and helpful address. His lordship left by the staning train for Trail, where he held an ordinstan service on the following day in St. Andrew's church, admitting to the diaconate of the Church, William J. Wood of Rossland and E. A. St. George Smythe of Windermere.

Ressland. The Rev. C. W. Helley is leaving this place very shortly, he having been appointed rector of Gravenburst, Ontario. Mr. Wood will minister in Trail, under the direction of the rector of this parish, and Mr. Smythe in the district of Windermere, under that of Golden.

CURLEY'S CRYSTAL; OR, A LIGHT HEART LIVES LONG.

By Emma Marshall. "A man that looks on glasse On it may stay his eye, Or if he pleaseth, through it passe, And then the Heaveneespie."

Chapter X .-- Curley's Treasures.

Mrs. Midgley was evidently what is commonly called "out of sorts" the next day, and when she came in that evening, after one of her expeditions to the circus or the concert hall, she was ver much out of sorts indeed.

Instead of eating her supper she began to cry, and say that she saw her room was more welcome than her company, and that she should leave the next day.

Mrs. Crawford did not disguise her satisfaction at this news, but she said:

"I hope, Hetty, you are not going off before you know where you are going. You are a young woman, worse than a widow, and it makes me uneasy to see how flighty you are at times."

"Flighty, indeed! I don't feel as if I should ever laugh or sing again. Aunt," and Mrs. Midgley began to cry and rock herself to and iro, and say no one cared for her; she was lonely and desolate and miserable.

"Well, Hetty," Mrs. Crawford said, "as we make our bed we have to lie on it."

"So you have told me a hundred times, Aunt," was the reply, "but that does not make it the easier. However, I am off to-morrow; I have the kitchen door, and he came down heavily, -triking this head against the corner of the fender.

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"Pride must have a fall," exclaimed Mrs. Midgley, her weeping suddenly turned into laughing: 'you should take advice and learn the acrobat's art by steady practice."

But Curley did not move, and when his mother returned with the mills, and a little pat of butter and a roll on a plate, she said:

"Come, Curley, get up, here's the milk and bread; and ask Miss Uack if I shall send up a bit of the cold beefsteak pic for her supper at nine o'clock. Curley! Curley!"

But there was still no answer.

"What was the noise I heard just now, you falling, Curley?" and Mrs. Crawford set down the jug and plate on the table, and bending over Curley said: \searrow

"My dear, afe you hurt? Curley, my dear boy, Curley!"

"He's only shamming." said Mrs. Midgley, "he is always one for a joke."

But it was no joke this time.

As Mrs. Crawford raised that little curly head the child made no sign of life, and his mother called aloud:

"He is stunned with the fall, he has cut his head. Oh! I must cend for the doctor. Oh dear! oh dear!"

But now Curley opened his eyes, and looking up at his mother tried to smile.

"I ain't hurt, mother; I think-I ----."

Then the heavy lids closed over Curley's gentian-coloured eyes, and his head fell heavily back on his mother's shoulder.

"I thought these ontics of his would end badly," Mrs. Midgley said; "if he had been taught to do it proper he----"

"Get me some cold water quick, Hetty, and don't stand talking in that unfeeling way. Oh! my darling Curley, do speak to your mother."

At this moment Blanche and Olive, who had been to an evening recreation class held at Blanche's school, came running down the area steps to the kitchen, Blanche saying:

"There is a man standing under the lamp-post with a black beard, and he frightened us. But, oh! mother, what has happened?"

"Get me some water quick, and soak your handk-rchief in it; and one of you call Miss Hack, she has always her senses about her, she will know what to do. Stop, Olive," as Olive was running off, "stop. I'll carry him up to the

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"Mother has not been unkind to you, Cousin Hetty." It was Curley's voice, who had come down to fetch some tailk for Peter. "You should not say mother has been unkind," Curley repeated, rising on the defensive for his mother."

"Don't speak to me, you little ungrateful thing," Mrs. Midgley said, "you that I've been so fond of," and Mrs. Midgley again burst forth into weeping.

Curley was waiting while his mother got the jug of milk from the back kitchen, and having defended her, now performed one of his most astonishing feats on the back of a chair, a mode of consolation to which he was addicted.

"I'm not ungrateful, Cousin Hetty," he said, beginning the speech while one leg was in the air and the other on the back of the chair, while his hand grasped a peg in the wall to steady himself. I am not ungrateful; you have been kind to me, I know, but I would not go and be whipped by that man in the circus, no, not for all he could give me, besides vexing my_mother."

And with this last word, Curley, in his excitement, slipped, or rather he put too much pressure on the back of the chair and it slipped on drawing-room and put him on the sofa there."

Then Mrs. Crawford, bending under the weight of her boy, toiled up the stairs and was met at the top by Miss Hack, Olive having gone on first to prepare her for what was coming. Miss Hack fully justified Mrs. Crawford's opinion, she had "her senses about her" now, and as Curiey again opened his eyes she said, as his poor mother haid him on Peter's sofa:

"He is stunned by the fall. I do not think he is seriously hurt, but he must be kept quiet, and we will put wet cloths on his forchead."

Poor little Peter now began to cry, saying:

"Oh, do tell me what is the matter. Why is Mrs. Crawford crying and saying, 'Oh! Curley, Curley?" Some one please tell me. And why does not Curley speak to me?"

"Curley has had a bad fall, dear Peter." Miss Hack said, "and has cat his forehead, but he will soon be well we hope."

And now it was pathetic indeed to see Peter passing his little thin hand over Curley's face as he lay on the sofa, one end of which he always occupied with Diamond, saying:

"Curley dear, does your head ache, Curley?"

And then Diamond shared in his little master's anxiety, and began to whine and lick one of poor Curley's hands, which hung down in a helpless way over the edge of the sofa.

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"Yes, fetch Dr. Robertson, he lives just across the square; run quick both of you together. I don't like one out alone in the evening."

"I hope that man won't be there, he does look so fierce." Blanche said, as she followed Olive down stairs. Mrs. Midgley was not in the kitchen, and as the two girls ran up the area steps they saw the gate at the top was open, and under the lamp-post stood a man and a woman. Surery the woman was Mrs. Midgley talking to the man with the black beard. But taking each other's hands for protection, Blauche and Olive ran across the street to Wellington Square, and never spoke till, breathless and frightened, they found themselves on the steps before the doctor's house, and Olive ringing the bell with all her strength.

"Olive," Blanche said, "that woman talking to the man with the beard was Cousia Hetty. I shall tell mother about it."

"Yes," Olive said, "it was Cousin Hetty, and I only hope she will scon go away. But what a time the doctor is coming, i must ring again." The second pull at the bell brought the servant, who said Dr. Robertson could not come out, he had a cold, and had just gone to bed.

"Oh, would you tell him that Curley, our dear little brother, has had a bad fall, and we do so want him to come, for we are afraid he is very much hurt; pray, pray, beg him to come."

Now, Dr. Robertson was a young man be ginning practice, and hearing the loud ring at the bell, and voices in the hall, he came to the head of the stairs and said to the maid:

"Who is it Martha?"

"Two children, sir, whose brother has had a fall, that's all."

In her eagerness Blanche pushed past the old servant, and going to the stairs foot, he said-

"Please, sir, come. Curley Crawford is my brother. I think you must know him, sir. Oh, do come."

"Curley Crawford-what, the merry little chap where the blind boy lives ! Yes, I'll come, I was not in bed, Martha," the doctor said, "as I heard you tell the children. Stick to the truth, even when you wish to spare me."

In another two minutes Dr. Robertson, mufiled in his comforter and thick Inverness coat, was at the door of Number 36 Wellington Street. Blanche and Olive had preceded him, and running

As Dr. Robertson passed the lamp-post on the iurther side of the street, he was attracted, he scarcely knew why, by the words which were uttered by a man, who was talking to a woman, and believed he heard the man say-

"Well, you must come along to-morrow before it's light, and put it back first."

What was it that flashed and shone in the man's hand as, moved by a sudden curiosity, Dr. Robertson made a little half imperceptible pause, as he heard the man say, as if in answer to something the woman had murmured, "It is worthless, put it back, and mum is the word."

"After all," the doctor thought, "it is no concern of mine"; and he passed on to his own house to prepare the draught and despatch it by his little page-boy, who was cating a hearty supper of Welsh rabbit by the kitchen fire, and was by no means pleased to be sent forth again on an errand even to a house so near as Number 36 Wellington Street.

There are few, very few people in whom the voice, the inner voice of conscience is quite silent, or rather quite dead. This voice was still heard, idintly it is true, but still it was heard in Mrs. Midgley's heart. She could not quite silence it, and after creeping softly into Mrs. Crawford's room, and taking a look at Curley as he lay on his mother's bed, something like remorse struck ber with a sudden pain.

"He looks very bad," she said in a low voice. "Shall I sit up with you, Aunt?"

Mrs. Crawford shook her head, sprinkled the wet cloth, and bound round Curley's forehead with fresh vinegar and water,

"Blanche and Olive will take it in turn, thank you, Hetty. Blanche is gone 'to bed till two o'clock, and then Olive will go, and send Blanche down-stairs. They have got to share his room between them," Mrs. Crawford explained.

"There'll be mine to-morow night," Mrs. Midgley said, "for I'm off, early. I wish I had not to leave him like this, that I do, poor little iellow! He won't be playing antics again for many a long day, will he ?"

Mrs. Crawford shook her head impatiently. Mrs. Midgley had only put into words what were her own sad thoughts as she sat by her boy's side.

His tricks, his antics, his merry laugh, his joyens bound as he ran down the steps of the area from school, and the constant love and care for her through all, but little appreciated at the time, was now standing out in a strong light against the dark background of the present anxiety. But, like many another watching mother, she did not like to hear her fears expressed by other lips, and certainly not by Mrs. Midgley.



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Oh, dear little Curley, that light heart, a gift of God, and given to some of us, and not to all, was soon to be heavily weighted.

Mrs. Midgley put her hand in her pocket, dropped something into the box, shut it again, and without noticing Blanche, crept softly to her bed, but not to sleep.

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BEYOND.

There is a calm, beyond life's fitful fever-

A deep repose, an everlasting rest;

Where white-robed angels welcome the believer Among the blest.

There is a Refuge where earth's cares and troubles No longer on the ransomed spirit prey,

A lasting joy when pleasure's gilded bubbles Have passed away.

There is a Home where all the soul's deep yearnings And silent prayers shall be at last fulfilled;

Where strife and sorrow, murmurings and heartburnings,

At last are stilled.

There is a Land with "milk and honey" flowing, Where scenes of beauty meet the enrapturd view; God's people to this promised land are going, Will you come, too?

There is a Hope to which the Christian clinging, Is lifted high above life's surging wave;

Finds Life in Death, and fadeless flowers springing From the dark grave.

There is a Crown prepared for those who love Him,

The Christian sees it in the distance shine,

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"Where is the child ?" he asked. "Downstairs ?"

"No, sir, in the drawing-room, if you please." Dr. Robertson leaped upstairs with a bound, and was in the drawing-room and by Curley's side before Blanche and Olive could believe it was possible.

Curley's heavy eyes were open now, but there was but little sign of intelligence in them. Peter was curled up with Diamond at Curley's feet, and kept his head upon Curley's hand, which made no answering pressure.

"What is it, sir?" Mrs. Crawford asked.

Dr. Robertson looked very grave and said that Curley must be put to bed, and kept very quiet. He had what was known as a slight concussion of the brain, but the cut itself on his forehead, from which a few crimson drops were slowly trickling, was not in itself dangerous. Then Mrs. Crawford prepared to carry her boy to her own room, but Dr. Robertson raised him in his arms, saying-

"He is too heavy for you, let me take him." When Dr. Robertson had seen Curley safely in bed, and ordered the proper remedies, he said he would call again early in the morning, and send a composing draught, to ensure, as he hoped, a good night's rest.

"I am afraid he may have hurt his back, Aunt, I am indeed, and then he may never walk, much less run and jump again."

"Good night, Hetty, "was the only rejoinder Mrs. Crawford made to this speech, and then Mrs. Midgley stole softly from the room up to the attic where Curley had slept. She listened at the door, and all was quiet. Blanche was asieep.

"It is kind of hard to do it," Mrs. Midgley said, and the voice within struggling to be heard said, "It is very wrong to do it; it is a sin."

" But everything would come out, it is sure to be missed, and it is too big to hide; and as to selling it, he would have sold it fast enough if he had thought it worth anything."

Then Mrs. Midgley pushed the door open very softly, and shading a little paraffin lamp she carried in her hands she peered about.

Curley's books were on a rough wooden shelf he had knocked up himself, fastened to the wall by two iron clamps. On a trunk lay his school sciehel, and a square box with a little steel handle to it, and a steel knob, which when pressed the lid flew open.

Mrs. Midgley set down the lamp, and taking the Los in her hand, she pressed the spring, and the lid when lifted displayed its contents. A little bit or slate pencil, a number of pink and white shells, er · big*limpet shell, a snail shell, a tiny red ball oi India-rubber, a broken knife, and a string of There is a spotless robe of Christ's own weaving; Will you not wrap it round your sin-stained soul?

Poor wandering child, upon the past life grieving, Christ makes thee whole

There is a Home, a Hope, a Crown in Heaven; My God! that any should Thy gift refuse; The awful choice of life or death is given-Which wilt thou choose?

THE WILL OF GOD.

We know God's will written for us in Scripture, written for us in history. Henceforward we must strive to make His will our will-seeking to master it by more and more perfect obedience, while through the actual experience of our labours we shall gain a more intelligent sense of the visdom of God's patience, and a more thankful conviction of His watchful love. And may it not be that when the fuller apprehension of the power of the Gospel of Christ Incarnate, Crucified, Ascended, is borne into us by fresh testimonies from every land; when the current of events brings home to us the greatness, and, I will add, the shortness of our opportunity; when the Spirit configues to us the uniqueness of our call as a missionary nation, we shall eatch up the old cry "It is the will of God," as the watchword of the new crusade.-Bishop Westcott.

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A LITTLE GIRL'S REQUEST.

Dear Rain, without your help, I know, The trees and flowers could not grow; My roses all would fade and die, If you stayed up behind the sky.

But lonely little girls like me Don't like to stay indoors, you see, All through the long and lonesome dav--

I'm tired of books, I'm tired of play.

I'm tired of listening to the sound Oi pattering drops upon the ground, And watching through the misty pane The clouded skies, O dreary Rain !

And so I wish you'd tell me why, Just to please me, you couldn't try To let the bright Sun shine all day, And in the night when he's away,

And all the world is dark and still, And I'm asleep-then, if you will, Come down and make my flowers grow,

Dear Rain, and I will love you so.

WIDOW GREEN'S GOOSE.

It was Christmas Eve. The snow lay on the ground and old Widow Green pledded wearily through it on her way home from the village, where she had been to do her marketing.

A poor little marketing it had been. A little tea, a loaf of bread and a scrap of bacon, were all that the spotted handkerchief she clasped so carefully contained, and worse than all, in her pocket was a letter, saying that her only son could not come and keep Christmas in his old home as usual, for his wife was not well and could not travel, and he could not

laughing and roaring. I don't make no count of such ways But here the wind blew so ficreely that the poor old woman had to stand still, for she could make no way against it, and it was all she could do to get her breath.

While the was standing, out of the inn door came Robert Miles, carrying a large goose.

"Why, mother," he said kindly, when he caught sight of Widow Green, "this wind's a bit too strong for you. Give me your bundle and catch hold of mysarm, my way lies along of yours."

Widow Green was only too glad of the help of his strong arm, and she made but a feeble resistance when he slung her bundle over his wrist.

"I've been lucky in the goose club this year," he went on cheerly, there was seven, and I've got the biggest oi all.'

"'Tis a fine one!" she answered. "When my Tom was at home we always had a goose, but now he's got a wife, and can't come to his old mother. I reckon I sha'n't never see him again, nor a goose neither."

"Tom ain't one to forget his mother. if I know aught about him." said Robert Miles kindly; "please God, he'll be here next Christmas, wife and goose and all."

"I'm but an old woman, Robert." said the mother with a sob, "who's to know I'll be here next Christmas?" "That's true enough," said the outspoken Robert; "but I reckon you'll be in better company than Tom's

then-won't look for geese."





iast now. She was not generally a grumbler, but hard times and her great disappointment made her sad. "That's true, Robert Miles, and thank you for putting me in mind of it, and I doubt, perhaps, Tom is sorry not to see his old mother too."

"There's no doubt of that," said Robert heartily; "but as he can't come and eat his goose with you, I shall take it very kind if you'll come and help eat ours to-morrow; the through long years underwent no nissus will be proud to see you."

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There is no moment in life of which we are more apt to miss the inner significance than the moment bringing our first real responsibility; for, particularly if the time of its coming be during our earliest years, we see it as a burden, instead of an opportun ity, a restraint rather than a means of growth. By holding this attitude we are blinded to its true beauty and purpose. The beauty of a responsibility lies in the fact that it is a trust from God, given to you personally because you and no other have in yourself, latent or otherwise, the power to bear it; the purpose of a responsibility is to develop your spirituality. What the gymnasium is to the body the realm of responsibility is to the spirit.

No, matter whether the responsibility be a small or a large one, accept it gladly, thankfully, as the Father's seal that he has found you worthy of being trained, and be sure that each faithful discharge of the duties it involves has for its result the building up of your spiritual body-that spiritual body which is such a vague thing to most of us. But of its reality inspired lips have told us again and again, and in its reality, we must endeavour to believe, for we need such a belief as an explanation and an in spiration.

Sometimes responsibilities come as sorrows. A father dies, and the son gives up his dream of college to aid in the support of his family; or a mother "slips away" and the daughter renounces the hope of some broader career to take the burden of household cares. These, of course, are exceptional cases whom God has marked as peculiarly His own; let that be the comfort for those who are struggling on through trials that seem fitted for older shoulders. "He who gives himself to God may count upon many and varied temptations, and one who trial or humiliation might well ques-

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So Widow Green's heart was heavy though her bundle was light, and weary and sad she telt as she moved slowly towards her lonely cottage.

To reach it she must pass the village inn. There all was bright; the dancing light of the fires shone red through the windows, smoke poured from the chimneys, and through the open door came the sound of laughter and merriment.

"There they are, wasting their money," sighed the poor old woman, "drinking what ought to go to their homes. A pretty way of keeping Christmas! Now my Giles was never one of that sort. They tell me they don't sell no drink but to them as takes it home, but hearken to 'em

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Widow Green demurred at first, but after a little pressing she accepted the invitation, and as she sat by her fire that night her heart grew lighter and she thought with sorrow of her hard thoughts about the merry-makers at the inn.

"If they were all like Robert Miles, they weren't about any harm," she said, "for he's a good man if there ever was one. He and my Tom was always friends."

Twelve months went round and Christmas came again, and with it Tom and his wife and a little Tom as well, whom his grandmother thought the finest baby she had ever seen. There was no goose however, for Tom had brought in its place a big turkey, and Widow Green, mindful of the last Christmas, sent specially to ask Robert Miles and his wife and two little girls to come and help her enjoy her good fare, and above all the company of her "dear boy Tom."

RESPONSIBILITIES.

"Finally, this is better, that one do His own task as he may, even though he fail,

Than take tasks not his own though they seem good." -"The Song Celestial," translated by

Edwin Arnold, M.A.

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Paul says: "Yet is he not crowned. except he strive lawfully."

So if the responsibility which has come to you brings its suffering, take the double training as bravely, as sweetly as you can. "It doth not yet appear what we shall be," and perhaps

unto thee is given ". . . A life that bears immortal fruit In such great offices as suit, The full-grown energies of heaven."

But there are many responsibilities to which are attached no pain or suffering, and these, for the sake of the discipline they afford us, we would do well to seek. Take a small one, if you will, some practical item connected with your daily life, but whatever it is, make the task your own, and be faithful to its demands.

A RUSSIAN LEGEND.

In the days of Christ's passion, say the peasants. Russia was a warm country, and one vast garden. The apostle St. John, persecuted everywhere after his master's death, came to Russia to preach the gospel "Love thy neighour as thyself."

But the people of the country drove him from their doors. As he cast the dust of each village from his weary feet, the village and the country round it became an icy arid steppe, and eventually the whole country was covered with ice and snow.

When he arrived at the coast, St. John took a boat and sailed towards the north. No other boat could follow him, for behind his vessel the sea froze into a sheet of solid ice. Finally the disciple loved of Christ arrived at the island where the North Pole is, a beautiful island where the temperature is always soft and equable, and where flowers and vegetation of all kinds grow in rich luxuriance. There upon this Island of the Pole, St. John still lives

plate ! She had been fed so often and so generously by her host that in her kindness by similar attention.

FINDING OUT HOW TO BEGIN.

Two boys had sat down together to work out some problems in algebra. One of them had been busy with his pencil a full minute when he noticed his companion sitting with folded arms and knitted brows.

"What is the matter?" he exclaimed. "Why don't you begin ?"

"I'm finding out how to begin," returned the other, quietly, and he went on thinking. The first speaker covered a page of foolscap with figures, found himself in a labyrinth from which there seemed no escape, and, looking back over the statement of the problems, discovered a mistake in his first equation. Long before this, however, his companion had worked the problem through and reached the correct result. He had not wasted time, because he had looked at all sides of the question before he began.

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A GRATEFUL CAT.

In a family where there were no children, and the loss of little ones was felt very keenly, a great many pets from the animal world found a home. Among them was a beautiful cat. She was trained to do many little tricks and had corresponding privileges, one being to sit in a high chair at the dining table beside her master, with a bib tied about her neck, and have her meals with the family. Her food was prepared for her on a plate just as a father would prepare it for his own child, and pussy would sit with her paws on the cross-bar of the chair and enjoy her dinner to her heart's content. She had learned to come to the dining-room when the summons-bell sounded, just as every member of the household did, jump into her chair and sit there awaiting her turn, most orderly and wellmannered.

One evening pussy was missing, and her master and mistress wondered what had become of her. The bell was sounded two or three times with no response

When suddenly, pitter, patter, down the stairs came kitty, something like trait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the a little whirlwind, rushed into the famous receipt book author, are on every dinirg room, leaped into her chair, and box.

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