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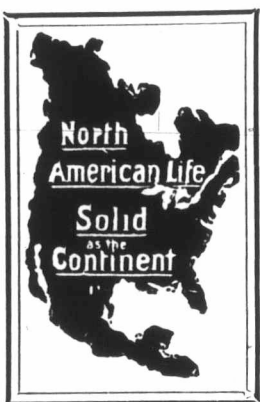
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Evening—Deut. 4, 23 to 41 or 5; Col. 1, 10 to 21.

May 5.—Fifth Sunday after Easter.

Morning—Deut. 6; Luke 23, 20 to 26.
Evening—Deut. 9 or 10; 1 Thess. 2.

May 12.—Sunday after Ascension.

Morning—Deut. 30; John 3, 10 to 22.
Evening—Deut. 34, or Jos. 1; 1 Tim. 1, 10 to 18.

May 19.—Whitsunday.

Morning—Deut. 16, 10 to 18; Rom. 8, 10 to 18.
Evening—Isai. 11, or Ezek. 36, 25; Gal. 5, 16, or Acts 18, 24—19, 21.

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

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Holy Communion: 310, 314, 549, 553.
Processional: 4, 217, 219, 274.
Offertory: 142, 534, 583, 634.
Children's Hymns: 291, 338, 340, 341.
General Hymns: 143, 505, 540, 637.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

The Church begins to look forward to the lessons of Ascension of our Lord and to Whitsunday. There are references to both Festivals on the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays after Easter. Even now is the Holy Ghost training and preparing us, silently and surely, that we also may ascend and enter into the true joys which are to come to those who love the thing that God commands. The power to do the right comes from above. It is not the outcome of careful philosophic will-training. It is not the exercise of our own natural powers. It is a power which comes from without, from God alone. It is the Spirit that helpeth our infirmities. How that power is bestowed upon us, we learn from the Epistle and Gospel for this Sunday. "Of His own will He begat us." We were begotten by God at our Baptism to a new life. A

higher and spiritual. Then was received the "engrafted Word which is able to save your souls." "Engrafted" implies a new nature, a new life and new fruit to follow. That which human nature could not do the Holy Spirit is able to do. The Holy Spirit is the new life which leads to the highest good. God's Spirit is working with our spirit, and we must bring forth good fruit in our lives. Some there are who trust to themselves too much and rely too much upon their own ability in the spiritual life. It is the Holy Spirit who is to guide you into all truth. It is the Spirit working in conjunction with a ready will and a responsive heart that does the right. The graft must be made into a live and healthy tree and fruit follows. Sometimes when an older person who is not confirmed is approached upon the subject the answer is, "I am not good enough." So regarding the Holy Communion "I am not fit." We, of ourselves, never can be good enough or fit. It is only an implicit trust and faith in God's promises and the receiving of the Holy Spirit that will make you better. It is not in us by nature. "Every good and every perfect gift is from above." This is where we must seek to be made better, by receiving those things from above. The Holy Spirit is to help, strengthen and make us fit. Look for instance at the Bishop's words at Confirmation. When this Holy Spirit of God is poured out upon us, they are as follows: "Defend, O Lord, this, Thy servant, with Thy Heavenly Grace, that he may continue Thine forever, and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more until he come unto Thy everlasting kingdom." And so, our Lord says, "When He, the Spirit of Truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth."

Jamaica.

The need of our fellow-Churchmen in Jamaica at this moment is beyond doubt very urgent. The Church there has for years been growing increasingly strong, as is shown by its 94 clergy, its 4,000 confirmed last year, and its present roll of registered Communicants, amounting to as many as 41,000. The earthquake of January 14th, in which about 1,000 lives were lost, and which resulted in untold suffering, has so destroyed and damaged church buildings as to leave the Bishops and clergy there the tremendous task of entirely re-building no less than fourteen churches, and repairing as many as twice that number of other Church buildings. In addition to this, the poverty of the negro population, loyal and whole-hearted as they are, makes outside help absolutely necessary, and when we remember that, since the earthquake, there has been a great religious awakening among all classes, so that congregations are even larger than ever, we see the real need for substantial and speedy help. Contributions may be sent to Bishop Joseclyne at St. James' rectory, Toronto, until June 1st. We would suggest that the clergy should read the foregoing from their pulpits, and that they should donate at least the proceeds of one offertory to the Jamaica Church Fund. His Grace the Primate of All Canada most strongly endorses the appeal of the Bishop-Coadjutor of Jamaica, an appeal which we most earnestly trust may meet with a large and liberal response for undoubtedly the need is real, urgent and great. The Bishop is to be in Montreal on May 6th, and will deliver several addresses in that city. He will also spend Ascension Day there.

Synod Forethought.

Again we are measurably approaching the time when the annual Synods will be held, and we ask our brother Churchmen—whether clerical

or lay delegates—"what thought are you giving and what preparation are you making for the coming session of your Church Legislature?" The Synod may not inaptly be called the Legislature of the Church. It should, however, be remembered that the questions which come before the ordinary parliamentary bodies for legislative purposes are thoroughly threshed out in press and on platform before they are considered in the Legislature. This is not the case with matters affecting the well-being of the Church. They do not receive a tithe of the publicity and attention which is bestowed on political subjects. All the more reason is there then that earnest and progressive Churchmen should, in due time before Synod, carefully and thoroughly consider and discuss, as far as they are able, such questions as in their judgment should be presented to that body for the strengthening of the Church and the better accomplishment of her great and urgent work.

Imperial Conference.

History like most other human concerns varies in its rate of progress—now it marks time, then it swings onward with stately march, again it advances by leaps and bounds. The conference of Colonial Premiers with the Imperial Government at the seat of Empire is one of a series of notable historic events indicative of the solid and substantial character of the bond of sentiment and mutual interest by which its various parts are bound together, and of the progressive and statesmanlike process of political evolution through which the chosen chieftans of a great people are working out the problem of mutual co-operation on practicable lines with a due regard to the autonomy of each State and the general good of all. We have we confess but little sympathy for those who say, "Let well enough alone!" "Why, intermeddle with our present satisfactory relations?" Such views if persisted in would dam up the stream of national progress and perpetuate conditions which are manifestly unfair and inequitable. Not only so but they would indubitably postpone the day when each part and parcel of the British Empire would share in just proportion the Imperial burden and responsibility, and the honour and dignity of Imperial manhood. The time must come when the serfdom of colonial dependence must be exchanged for the freedom of manly and Imperial independence. We look to Imperial conferences for an adequate remedy for this undesirable condition of colonial parochialism. This question must be approached in no narrow, selfish or ungenerous spirit.

Palms in Religious Services.

We quoted lately a letter with reference to the use of branches of different trees on Palm Sunday and the quotation in it from old rituals which suggested that the present name and use are modern applications to an older tradition. We do not propose discussing that question, nor have we space to mention the various communications in our English exchanges, both for and against the suggestions. There is, however, a specially interesting one from Mrs. Greville Nugent, which notes two cases from her personal observation. The first is from the Copts, the old Egyptian Church, cut off by centuries and now re-discovered. "Those who have not witnessed the ceremonies of the Coptic Church may be interested to learn that the shredded date-palm leaves are brought by the people to be blessed at the conclusion of Mass, when the priest sits outside the screen for this purpose. The ceremony is of the simplest, consisting merely of the dipping of each palm handed to him into holy water, and making the sign of the

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cross over it afterwards. I have a vivid recollection of finding myself one Palm Sunday in Cairo, in the midst of a struggling, jostling, native crowd, all huddling round the priest, who, squatting cross-legged on the sanctuary steps, perfunctorily immersed their leafy contributions in a common zinc bucket." The other case occurred at the Church in Rome, set aside for the Armenians, who retain like other Eastern bodies their language and practice in return for submission to Papal domination. "The palms," here represented by branches of box, were first blessed at the altar, then carried down and laid on a table in the centre of the nave, followed by the entire body of priests and acolytes. They formed a circle round that table, chanting and waving aloft the tall box-branches which each one carried. At frequent intervals they moved a few steps round, still preserving a perfect circle, and again stood still to chant, and so on till all had completed the full round and regained their original positions. The effect of the priests and boys with their strange Armenian vestments and head-coverings, chanting and waving on high their evergreen branches as they moved in this mystic circle, was unlike anything I ever saw before, and suggested some dim echo of the Eleusinian mysteries. When the sacred dance was over, all returned to the high altar."

Letters of Commendation.

In an English paper we find a letter from the Rev. S. G. Chambers, rector of Christ Church, Winnipeg, which he might have written to us. We give the subject publicity again. It is the often asked for, but seldom given, letters of commendation from the parish clergyman to that to which the emigrant moves. No clergyman should allow one of his flock to leave his parish for another, whether near or distant, without giving such a letter. It can never do harm, it may do untold good. And the further the bearer goes the more need of such a passport.

Death by Rail.

The oft-recurring crushing, burning, and killing of innocent human beings on railway lines means something more than the filling of a column or so of the daily paper with a thrilling narrative emphasized by a dramatic heading. These horrible events mean the loss to the State of valuable and useful lives and to the home the awful shock and quick disaster which follows the loss of its chief or only support by "sudden death." Were these deaths caused by war with its attendant horrors a grave responsibility would rest on the State for permitting its occurrence, and for the loss and damage occasioned by it. Can a time of peace excuse these repeated and often agonizing deaths? The Government, created by the Will and Vote of the People, should try by every means in their power to prevent this ceaseless sacrifice of human life. A remedy must be found by the enactment of the requisite civil or criminal laws, and the provision of a clear and effective method of putting them in force. Life is dearer to the people than wealth, and the lives of the many must be protected against all carelessness or incompetence of the few. Cut down the dividends. Lessen the great salaries. Increase the number of skilled and capable employees. Shorten the hours of labour. Give them the rest and sleep that nature demands.

The Lord's Day.

There has been formed in Toronto a society for the purpose of opposing the enforcement of the observance of Sunday. We have repeatedly remarked on the unhappy change which has taken place in the Old Country in what used to be called Sabbath observance. There is now no Sabbath and no Sunday observance. Yet on the continent of Europe there are efforts to introduce, both by legal enactments and social efforts, something like the English Sunday as it used to

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be. We trust that all friends, not of religion only, but of decent national habits will do their utmost to have our laws enforced, not harshly or arbitrarily, but to preserve for us a decent quiet Sunday, and a little unnecessary labour as is possible upon that day. To this end we must act by example, and follow the lead of the people who have circulated in the Old Country "The Message to the Nation." This we read seems to have made a decided impression, and besides stimulated sincere efforts to restore observance. Efforts which people realize are for the welfare of the nation.

The Unhappy Jurors.

Sad is their lot in the United States. Weeks are sometimes spent in choosing twelve men, months in elaborating a criminal trial and then they are locked up in order that they must do, what judges do not do, agree unanimously. Surely some needed amendments will be made in legal practice, but without touching upon such matters we support the wail of the really tried and afflicted good men and true. There is no reason in the world why twelve men cannot be chosen in half an hour. As to the length of trial that is too long a matter to discuss, but to aid a verdict we make a suggestion. Why not adopt the old Scottish fashion, which works so well? Have a jury of fifteen and let the majority decide. By that means a verdict is given in a short time, between ten minutes and half an hour, and it is generally unanimous. It is an outrage to imprison men until they agree to a verdict, when beyond all doubt some one at least differs from the others and submits in the end. Lastly the deliberations of the jury should be sacred and the publication of what was alleged to take place should be punished by fine and imprisonment.

Advantage of the Church of England.

"In regard to all these controversies they of the Church of England stood in a position of great advantage and also of great responsibility," said Bishop Gore in one of his remarkable addresses on the "New Theology." "They stood in a position of great advantage because they stood so simply upon the creeds, on the ancient structure of the Church, and on the canon of Scripture—the three great elements on which the Church had stood from the first. This position gave them a great advantage over the more fragmentary and sectional parts of Christianity in the Nonconformist denominations. They stood on something which was central, and they were in unbroken continuity with the ancient Church. Again, by contrast to the Roman Catholic Church they had a great advantage in that they were not encumbered by a number of dogmas which, professedly historical, constituted the greatest possible difficulty to the historical enquirer, as, for instance, the immaculate conception of the Virgin Mary and her assumption into Heaven, which, if true, were historical events, but for which there was not any fragment of what might be called historical evidence. To be without encumbrances of that kind gave them a great freedom and advantage. The Church of England in effect said to the laity, 'Make use of my services, join in my worship at your discretion.' It laid on them no specific requirements. He hoped it would always continue to possess that excellence."

JAMAICA.

Not very long ago we criticized the language used and the influence exerted at a convention in Brazil. According to the doctrines enunciated by Mr. Elihu Root these republics and the others, such as Venezuela, Nicaragua and Honduras represented the free civilization of America. Naturally we resented such insinuations, which were only excusable as political bids for influence. The orators and audience both knew and acknowledged in their hearts, but not with

their lips that we, who belong to the great Empire, are the real leaders in the cause of true freedom on the western continent. We have just had a startling illustration of the degradation of the administration of justice across our borders. In English-speaking America it is our proud boast that with the exception, we are sorry to say, of the United States, justice is administered. In protesting against the aims of the allied republics we advocated a closer union of those portions of the Empire on this side of the Atlantic. We belong to the same Empire, have the same traditions, the same hopes. Trade the great factor might be largely stimulated with Bermuda, the West India Islands and the colonies in South America. There seems always to be something in the way, difficulties which so far have not been successfully surmounted. We have now an opportunity of showing a brotherly feeling by aiding Jamaica, so grievously afflicted by the recent earthquake. Too little credit has been given to the island for what it has done owing to the attention bestowed on the conduct of a United States officer, whose motives were the best. The worst of such incidents is that they divert attention from the real calamity. For many such reasons we welcome the visit of the Right Rev. A. E. Joscelyne, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor of Jamaica, who tells us at first hand and from personal knowledge of what has really happened. The greatest sufferers have been our Church people, and for these especially the Bishop appeals. Jamaica ought to have special claims on us. Time passes and generations follow each other so rapidly that it is forgotten that in the eighteenth century Jamaica was one of the favourite colonies. Young, ambitious men went there. Robert Burns almost did so, and the impress of their work still remains. Emancipation was a step in advance in human history, but observers of results doubt whether it was altogether wisely carried out. Even yet the effects of the religious teaching and discipline of the old times is noticeable and the coloured race of Jamaica is quite different from that found under other flags. There are many other considerations which we trust will weigh with our people and induce them to respond liberally with money, and with much more than money, to the Bishop's appeal.

FROM WEEK TO WEEK.

Spectator's Comments and Notes of Public Interest.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is making a gallant fight for existence and usefulness. In this particular organization success is not measured by numbers, but in service. It is by far the most purely spiritual factor in the Church's organized activities. It is not a social club, nor a debating society. Neither is it an organization for raising money or attending to the temporalities of the Church. It is definitely and distinctly spiritual. It starts out with the idea of each member making himself right with God in prayer, and then going forth and endeavouring to bring some one else into touch with the Kingdom. The ideal for which the Brotherhood of St. Andrew stands is but what we should look for as the normal outcome of effective Church work. We preach presumably to win men to a better way. Should we not demand evidences of spiritual results as the measure of our success in the ministry? If not, then what is the purpose of the Church? If we do, is not this work of the Brotherhood the most natural kind of work which could be undertaken? It is really the simplest and most direct result that can come of successful ministry. The fact that so much difficulty is found in getting a handful of men in each congregation to unite in prayer and service in the quietest and least ostentatious way is cause for reflection. The splendid enthusiasm that is shown by Brotherhood men in persisting in carrying on this work in the face

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McGill University has received two very serious blows in the destruction of its engineering and medical buildings by fire. The name of McGill was first carried to the outside world by the quality of the work done in the medical faculty, and for the past ten or fifteen years the science faculty has, perhaps, attracted even more attention. To have these faculties left without homes and their splendid equipment reduced to ashes is a loss that cannot well be estimated in coin. However, it not infrequently occurs that these losses are blessings in disguise, and it looks as though that would be the case in this instance. Apart from a few men of great wealth, the citizens of Montreal have not, we think, been drawn into the support of the university to the extent that might reasonably be expected. The present calamity will probably do this, and a larger proprietorship will be felt. It is better that ten thousand citizens should each do something in a small way than that a dozen should bear the whole burden, even if they do so with princely magnificence. In a great commercial city a university is, next to the churches, its greatest asset. In the generations to come the city will be remembered by the intellectual and spiritual influences that issued from it, and not by its factories, or offices, or warehouses, or shipping. The loss sustained by McGill touches the pride of Montreal as well as its reason and self-interest. It cannot afford to allow this seat of learning to suffer in reputation when it lies in its power to save the situation. The glory of the new buildings and the new equipment will doubtlessly surpass the old, and what for the moment seemed disaster will prove the starting-point of a greater career.

We had an opportunity a few days ago of seeing and hearing the Rev. Dr. Torrey, the well-known evangelist, in one of his revival meetings. He is in many respects an interesting study. Modern critical results in Bible study do not seem to have touched him in the slightest degree. His point of view is apparently the literal, perhaps verbal, accuracy of every word and syllable of the sacred writings. He attempts no "spiritualizing" of the statements of Scripture. To him, Heaven is Heaven and Hell is Hell, and there is nothing more to be said upon the matter. We have not heard such clear-cut, decisive teaching since the days of our boyhood. There are no "ifs" or "perhaps's" with him, but he expounds the Way of Life as if there were no possible difficulty or ambiguity about it from first to last. Let us illustrate this definiteness and decisiveness, which is so foreign to most teachers. He tells of an interview with a man after a meeting, at which he had pressed the claims of Christ upon his loyalty. This man says: "I am doing my duty to the best of my ability. I am honest in business, clean in life, and faithful to duty, but I do not accept Christ, and do not pretend to accept him. Do you mean to say that I am going to hell?" "And I answered," said Dr. Torrey, "you certainly are." The truth as he sees it is expounded in the same clear-cut, concrete fashion. He announces as his subject on a certain evening,

"Hell: What it is Like, and Who are Going There." Surely the mind of man could not desire anything more definite than this. And we are bound to say that this very definiteness, the attitude of speaking for God, the attitude of the old prophets, is one of the most telling powers of his ministry. It is true that not many men could possibly take that attitude, but there is power in it if conviction lies behind it. Dr. Torrey is not merely explicit; he is also very deliberate in the conveyance of his teaching. His address is not a continuous thought or series of thoughts, but each point is given two or three times in very much the same words before he goes on to the next. This spoils the artistic effect of the address, but it no doubt is best suited to those to whom his words are addressed. His methods and his teaching would not touch a very large class of men, but still he is no doubt doing a most excellent work in calling many to repentance.

Spectator.

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAISE.

The third draft of the new hymnal has just been printed and is even more interesting than either the first or second. There are indications that the book is assuming its final form. Some of the copious and numerous indexes promised are already in course of preparation. Six of them appear in the third draft, index of first lines, index of metres, alphabetical index of tunes, index of composers, index of authors, and index of translators. Each has special features. Where a first line commonly appears in different forms in different hymnals, the different forms are given in the index, though not, of course, in the hymn itself; e.g., "Sweet Saviour, bless us ere we go," "O Saviour, bless us;" "All praise to Thee, my God, this night," "Glory to Thee, my God;" "Thou Who at Thy first Eucharist," "O Thou Who at Thy Eucharist," etc. This will be found a great convenience, at any rate until all Churchmen in Canada have become used to the first line adopted in the hymn itself. The index of metres is the completest yet devised, and follows the general features of the index in the 1904 edition of Hymns A. and M. The alphabetical index of tunes contains many useful cross-references where tunes are commonly known by more than one name, though only one name will be given to each tune in the body of the book. This will enable musicians to trace old favourites which are liable to become disguised by new names given to them by composers or others, and vice versa. This index contains also most valuable new features, the date of the first publication of the tune, the date of birth and death of composer and name and address of owner of copyright. At a glance the dates given will indicate whether the tune is still liable to be copyright. The index of composers in a most compact way indicates the nationality of the composer, the land of adoption being given; e.g., Handel (Eng.), Dr. Albert Ham (Can.). The indexes of authors and translators are perhaps the most interesting of all. They indicate in a few letters the nationality and religion of each writer; e.g., How, Bishop William Walsham, Eng., Angl. (1823-1897); Newman, Rev. J. H., Eng., Angl.; R.C. (1801-1890). These indexes emphasize the edifying fact that great men from all bodies of Christians have in all ages contributed to the masterpieces of hymnody, and that the hymnals of Christian bodies furnish splendid proof of real Christian unity. And yet, although in the Book of Common Praise as in other hymnals of the Church of England, and of other Christian bodies, almost all denominations of Christians are represented, it is abundantly clear that as all writers admit the world is more indebted to Church of England hymn-writers than to any others. Out of the 114 translated hymns appearing in the new book only five were written by others than Anglicans. Of the writers of original hymns so far as tabulated 137 out of 223 were Anglicans, and, no doubt, the proportion will be about the same when the facts and lists are finally revised. From a literary standpoint and in the matter of accuracy in detail, such as dates, etc., the new hymnal ought to be most trustworthy and complete, for not only have the committee the advantage of the indexes appearing in the latest and best hymnals, but by submitting the book so long a time before publication to as many critical eyes as possible, they are securing information and assistance which might not otherwise be obtained. The Rev. John Mearns, sub-editor of Julian's Hymnology, one of the most learned men in England, is revising

every line of the work, and has compared every hymn with the originals in the libraries at the British Museum and the Church House. The great number of hymns appearing in the index as anonymous is due to the committee having retained the best Latin, Greek and foreign hymns which Hymns A. and M. especially have endeared to the Church during the last half century. There are more than 200 suggestions printed for the purpose of being considered at the next meeting of the committee at Gananoque next July. Altogether it is quite sufficiently demonstrated that by hard work and high aims the committee is determined to produce a hymnal of which the Church in Canada will be proud. Notice is given that all original words and music must be submitted before May 1st next. All original contributions are being considered anonymously. A circular stating the conditions will be sent to anyone applying to the Convener, Mr. James Edmund Jones, 32 Prince Arthur Avenue, Toronto. There are a limited number of copies of the third draft still on hand and no doubt can be obtained by dropping a card to the Convener. Prominent organists and choirmasters who are willing to give the benefit of their advice and assistance will, it is hoped, aid the committee in giving the preliminary work of the committee the widest publicity and keenest criticism. Now is the time to criticize and help, not when the book is completed. The committee would like to learn the name and address of the persons who used the pseudonyms "Cum aeteris curro," and "X. Y. Z." as their contributions have been accepted.

CORPORATE REUNION.

By the Rev. Arthur Jarvis.

Mr. Plummer's letter in your current issue, and your comments thereon, prompt me to submit to your readers a suggestion which I have discussed with many earnest men of our own and other communions without as yet meeting with any very serious criticism of the main principle involved. What we have at heart is some arrangement, not for the purpose of admitting occasionally a Methodist brother to our pulpits on sufferance—a privilege which self-respecting Methodists do not care to accept. We want to admit them to our altars. In other words, we aim at corporate reunion. For the sake of definiteness let us consider solely the question of reunion with the Methodists. I think it will be conceded on all hands that the one thing, and one thing only, stands really in the way of this consummation, so devoutly to be wished for—at least, the other things are capable of adjustment—and that one thing is episcopacy as of the "esse" of the Church. Notwithstanding the private opinions of many of our excellent divines, though often their obiter dicta, or their tentative concessions with a view to peace or expediency have been, I think, unduly pressed and made to do duty for their deliberate convictions; still, the voice of the Church is that no man shall minister as a priest unless he hath episcopal ordination, and that is the principle upon which the Church acts, and upon which the most lax of our Bishops acts, and must act, notwithstanding his private views. Episcopal ordination is with us a sine qua non of the priesthood, or presbyterate, or whatever you choose to call it whatever views may be held regarding the office and functions of the second order of the ministry. That is a fact, and there is no getting round it, even if we wished. Practically, there is no attempt made to alter the fact by any party in the Church, however it may be ignored or kept in the background for the purpose of conciliating those with whom we wish to be at one. But we shall never conciliate them by pretending that episcopacy is only of the "bene esse" of the Church. We shall never conciliate them even by saying and believing with all our hearts that it is only this, and nothing more. They simply point to the fact. "It is palpably a necessary thing with you. There is no priest in the Anglican Church not episcopally ordained, nor can there be, without a fundamental readjustment of your system, of which no one apparently dreams." If nothing else, the Lambeth Quadrilateral settles this point. Now, we turn to the Methodist position, and try to view it from that standpoint. So far as I can gather there is a great variety of opinion in that body with regard to orders. Some think the question is of no importance; that the inward call is the only essential. Others add to this the outward call of the congregation, or a more definite and formal mission by a Church court. Others, again, demand a succession, but are content with a ministerial succession, "tactical" or otherwise. Others, again, contend that whilst Apostolic succession is not an essential, yet if any weaker brethren deem it

necessary to valid orders, the Methodists have it to all intents and purposes, and tactical succession at that, through John Wesley, who was a Scriptural episcopos, etc., at all events. I once heard a remarkably able paper read by a Methodist minister, in which he took the ground that the idea of episcopacy was by no means distasteful to the connection, and he brought together many facts to show that the whole trend of Methodism, in Canada at any rate, was in the direction of episcopacy. The situation, therefore, seems to resolve itself to this: We have two bodies of Christians reaching out arms to one another at least good men on either side are doing this—and all say they want to be united. What, then, holds them asunder? A principle—episcopacy—or rather, the ideas that prevail in regard to that principle. Now, on the other side (the Methodists) there appears to be no inherent objection amongst the well-informed to the principle itself; on the contrary, there is an observable approach to it, and in some quarters a conviction that the principle has already been attained. They claim an idea of episcopacy which satisfies the consciences of those amongst them who attach any importance to it. Anyhow, we cannot think of any reputable Methodist controversialist maintaining the position that episcopacy per se is vicious, or that, assuming the Divine call, episcopal ordination would vitiate or detract from the efficacy of orders, even if it would not add very much to their validity.

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The Churchwoman.

OTTAWA.

Ottawa.—The Woman's Auxiliary of the Anglican Church of Canada is now celebrating its twenty-first anniversary, and in connection with this an interesting special service was held at St. John's Church, Mackenzie Avenue, last Wednesday night week. The attendance was large, the members of the Auxiliaries from all the local Anglican congregations attending. The Bishop of Ottawa presided, and addresses touching on the great work the Auxiliary has done throughout Canada were made by St. John's rector, the Rev. Canon Pollard, the Bishop of Algoma, and the Bishop of Moosonee. Canon Pollard gave an interesting account of the formation of the first Auxiliary of Ottawa in St. John's Church in 1886. Now, throughout Canada, from Victoria to Halifax, there are a thousand Auxiliaries, with over 22,000 members. They had raised during the last year nearly \$500,000, including \$10,000 from Dorcas Society work. The formation of these auxiliaries had combined various organizations into one grand scheme, widening their sympathies, and being the means of imparting missionary knowledge that the ladies otherwise might not have got; and hence making the work interesting. The rector touched on the efforts sister denominations are making to do missionary work. There was great need for women to work in the Lord's vineyard. There were too many women to-day whose highest ambition seemed to be to get their names in the paper as attending some five o'clock tea, and who seemed to have nothing to do. He showed what field of usefulness there was for women to fill. He said he spoke plainly on this matter, because there was work for them, and a great work, in the Church of Canada. The Bishop of Algoma testified to the way the Auxiliaries throughout Canada had lent assistance in his diocese. They had contributed towards building churches and parsonages, and seldom had an appeal to them been in vain. For women in life there should be a higher ambition than that of merely putting on a glove, matching a colour, or rising to some social eminence. There was a field ahead of the Auxiliary, and the fact that they had attained their majority only meant the passing away of the experimental stage. There was lots of work ahead—work unspeakably greater than any yet accomplished. Canada was growing, and the needs of the Church in the West were greater than ever before. The Bishop of Moosonee read from St. Luke, 8th chapter, an account of the first woman's auxiliary ever held, when they ministered to the Saviour's wants. He described the picture as one well worth remembering: the church, the twelve disciples on one side of Christ and the women ministering to Him on the other. Ever since then women had been faithful, first in doing good works, as well as being first at the Cross. He showed how there was a work peculiarly for women, how in the time of Christ they had done work the disciples could not do, and how the same wide field lay open for them to-day. He paid a tribute to the

work done and assistance given in his diocese. The women had helped in building churches by raising funds for putting bells on places of worship, in founding boarding schools, and in sending clothing and supplies to those needing them in the great West. The interesting service closed with a hymn of praise and a short special prayer, in which the Bishop of Ottawa expressed thanks to God for the Woman's Auxiliary of the Anglican Church in the Dominion, and besought a blessing on its future efforts.

St. George's.—The Girls' Auxiliary received gratifying reports of progress at its annual meeting last week. Twenty-four sewing meetings have been held and eight business meetings. Two bales of new clothing and other useful articles have been contributed for Sturgeon Lake Mission and Piegan Reserve. The treasurer reported \$280 collected during the year. There are eleven subscribers to the "Leaflet." Interesting addresses were given during the afternoon by Mrs. Tilton and Bishop Holmes, of Moosonee. The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Gerald; first vice-president, Miss Burpee; second vice-president, Miss Wilson; secretary, Miss Neeve; treasurer, Miss May; Dorcas secretary, Miss Goodall; Box secretary, Mrs. Simpson; delegates to the Diocesan Auxiliary meeting in May, Miss May, Miss Fraser.

St. Luke's.—The annual meeting of this parochial Branch of the W.A. was held on Friday afternoon last at the rectory, at which the rector, the Rev. W. A. Read, presided, and, like each of the preceding annual occasions was a success. The diocesan president, Mrs. Tilton; Mrs. Armstrong, second vice-president, and Mrs. George Greene, Dorcas secretary, were among the visitors present. The officers elected were: President, Mrs. James Shepherd; vice-president, Mrs. I. J. Christie; secretary, Miss Botterell; treasurer, Mrs. Gerard; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. H. W. Booth; Box secretary, Mrs. George A. Morris; secretary Babies' Branch, Mrs. Dunn; delegates to the annual meeting, Mrs. Christie and Miss Botterell.

Cornwall.—Trinity.—The annual meeting of the Girls' Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in Trinity Hall Monday evening, April 8th. The chair was taken by the rector, the Rev. T. J. Stiles. The officers presented very satisfactory reports. The treasurer's report showed the total receipts to be \$80.00, and total expenditure \$65.12. The Dorcas secretary's report was very encouraging. The Branch are preparing to pack a very large bale this month to be sent to Miss West's school, Metlakatla, B.C. The election of officers resulted as follows: Honorary president, Mrs. Stiles; president, Mrs. Wallace; first vice-president, Miss Johnstone; second vice-president, Miss Mabel Williams; general secretary, Miss Edna Stiles; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. John Eamer; treasurer, Miss Green; box treasurers, Mrs. Pitts and Miss Winnie Robertson; literature and "Leaflet" secretary, Miss Alice Elson; auditors, Mrs. Shaver and Mrs. Farlinger. After votes of thanks had been tendered the rector for presiding, the scrutineers and retiring officers, the meeting closed with Hymn 220 and the Benediction.

TORONTO.

Toronto. Girls' Friendly Society.—The six local Branches of the Girls' Friendly Society held a very successful social gathering in the Church of the Redeemer Schoolhouse on Thursday evening, April 11th. About 200 associate members and friends of the society were present. In the unavoidable absence of the rector the Rev. R. Ashcroft, of York Mills, kindly acted as chairman. The honorary president, Mrs. S. G. Wood, welcomed the members, and spoke of their individual responsibility in helping, cheering, and uplifting the lives of others with whom they came in contact. She reminded them of the Day of Intercession for the society to be observed on June 20th. Mrs. Welch, central president of the society, bespoke the interest of the Toronto Branches on behalf of their fellow-members in Jamaica, who had suffered through the recent earthquake, and suggested that all who felt inclined might show their sympathy by sending small subscriptions to her. These could be conveyed to Jamaica by Bishop Joscelyne, who is now visiting Toronto and other places to bring the needs of his diocese before the Church in Canada. An excellent programme of songs, instrumental music, and recitations was provided by the different Branches, a dialogue in costume causing much amusement. Short reports were read of the work done by the Branches during the winter, and told of many profitable and enjoyable evenings spent. Mrs. Ashcroft, Toronto Diocesan President, told of

a former English member who had lost her foot through an accident, and asked the Branches to help in providing her with an artificial one. The poor woman is the wife of a farm labourer, and has some little children. Mrs. Ashcroft's announcement that the annual summer festival of the society would probably again be held at York Mills early in June was met with great applause. Refreshments were served at the end of the evening, and were much appreciated. Many English members, who had been commended during the year, were present.

Church of the Redeemer.—On Tuesday afternoon, April 16th, Mrs. C. J. James, the officers and members of the Woman's Auxiliary held an "At Home" at the rectory to enable the members of the church to meet Miss Tilley, the diocesan W.A. president, who has become a parishioner recently. About 160 persons were present. A most enjoyable time was spent by all. Mrs. Covert and Mrs. T. Millman presided at the tea table, which was very tastefully decorated with daffodils.

Wycliffe College.—The monthly Diocesan Board meeting of the Toronto Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held on Thursday, April 4th, in the fine Convocation Hall of this college, and was a large gathering. After the usual opening prayers Mrs. O'Meara said a few kindly words of welcome. There were several visitors present from other dioceses, Mrs. Gossage, vice-president of Algoma, being among the number. The president spoke very feelingly of the death of Mrs. Osler, mother of Mrs. Williamson, for so many years the beloved president of this Diocesan Branch. Many of the members had been at the service in St. Luke's Church on March 20th, and a W.A. cross had been sent. The corresponding secretary reported thirteen new life members—ten in the city and three out of town—the total number for the year being thirty-eight. The arrangements for the annual meeting were completed. It will be preceded by a reception, given by the St. Alban's Cathedral Branch, in the crypt of the cathedral, on Tuesday evening, April 30th. Holy Communion will be celebrated in St. James' Cathedral on Wednesday, May 1st, at 10 a.m. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Canon Abbott, of Christ Church Cathedral, Hamilton. It is expected that several Missionaries now on furlough will be present during the meeting, which will be in the Guild Hall, McGill Street: Miss Strickland, of Tarn Taran, India; Miss Makeham, of St. Mary's Training Home, Matsumoto, Japan; Miss Asquith, of Palamcottah Blind School, India; the Rev. C. E. Whittaker, of Herschell Island, Diocese of Mackenzie River; the Rev. McQueen Baldwin and the Rev. J. Waller, of Japan. On the Wednesday evening, May 2nd, the meeting of Girls' Branches will be held. The missionary meeting will be held on Thursday evening. A meeting of the Junior Branches will be held on Saturday afternoon, May 4th. The treasurer reported that all the pledges undertaken by the Diocesan Board had been fully met, and that there will be a balance of \$382.32 to be voted upon at the annual meeting. The Dorcas secretary-treasurer stated that thirty bales had been sent off during the month; also a sewing machine to the Blackfoot Hospital. The Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund for the month amounted to \$83.84, which was voted unanimously for needs of Hay River School, in the Diocese of Mackenzie River. The P.M.C. amounted to \$1,030.08, appropriated as follows: To Diocesan Missions, \$951.08; to Foreign Missions, \$30.13, and \$48.87 to Canadian. The three pledges undertaken by the Juniors have been met in full. A most interesting letter from the Rev. W. C. White, of Long-nong, China, referring to the native catechist, working among the lepers, who is supported by the Toronto life members, was read. The noontide address was given by the Rev. A. G. Dicker, of St. Luke's, on "Give us this day our daily bread" and following petition of the Lord's Prayer. The objects to be voted upon at the annual meeting for the life membership fees, which will be \$1,000 or more, are: Towards the much-needed church at Chapleau, Diocese of Moosonee, for which the sum of \$2,500 is still required; the memorial church at Moosehide, in Selkirk Diocese, for which \$1,500 is needed, and church buildings at Matsumoto and Toyohashi, Japan, requiring respectively \$2,500 and \$500. Other amounts to be voted upon are the interest upon the Nineteenth Century Fund, \$175.50, the objects being church hall, Prince Rupert, California Diocese; church for new settlers, Strassburg, Diocese of Qu'Appelle, and for needed repairs on the church at Stanley, in the Diocese of Saskatchewan, and the interest on the E. M. Williamson Memorial Fund, \$184, the three objects being the memorial church at Athabasca Landing, a Mission boat for the district of Fuh-kien, China, and furnishings for All Hallow's School, Vale, New Westminster Diocese. During the meeting Canon Renaud brought a loving

message of greeting from the president of the W.A. in the most hearty vote of sympathy of the Prince O'Meara.

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lity of the Principal of Wycliffe and Mrs.
O'Meara.

Dixie. After the corporate celebration of the
Holy Communion, the Branch of the W.A. at
this place celebrated the twenty-first year of the
existence of the W.A. by a social gathering in
the Cooksville Hall on April 17th. W.A. workers
from Erindale and Port Credit were also present.
About 75 or 80 of the 150 present were W.A.
women. An interesting programme of speeches,
music and recitations was rendered, one of the
chief features of which was an excellent mis-
sionary address on Melanesia by the Rev. Cyril
Brown, who has worked for some years as a
Missionary in a tropical region of land and water
almost as wide as the distance between James'
Bay and Lake Ontario, and as long as from Win-
nipeg to Montreal. The rector of the parish,
the Rev. H. V. Thompson, presided as chair-
man. The programme being ended, refresh-
ments were served to all present. A most enjoy-
able and profitable evening was spent. This
Branch of the W.A. has a very respectable sum
of money collected to swell the missionary con-
tributions to be given at the great Missionary
Conference, which is to be held next year in
London, England.

Streetsville.—Trinity.—A very successful social
was held under the auspices of the W.A. on the
evening of the 18th. During the evening Mrs.
Robert Graydon was presented with an address,
a life membership in the W.A., and the gold
cross symbolical of same. Mrs. Fred Ward read
the address, and the president of the Branch,
Mrs. A. J. Wright presented Mrs. Graydon with
the life certificate and the gold cross. Mrs.
Graydon acknowledged the honour done to her
by her fellow-members in suitable terms.

NIAGARA.

Fonthill.—A meeting of the W.A. was held at
the residence of Mrs. R. T. Burns on the 17th
inst. to welcome the return of the delegates from
the annual meeting at Hamilton, and to hear
their report. Miss Williams, the president, occu-
pied the chair, and after opening the meeting
made a few general remarks relative to its ob-
jects and the reception of the delegates at Ham-
ilton. Mrs. Frank Burns was then called on to
read her report, which had been prepared with
great care, omitting nothing of an interesting
character. Mr. R. T. Burns gave an account
of the W.A. from its formation in 1885 to the
present time, and Mrs. Henderson read a paper
on Mission Work. A Junior Branch was or-
ganized, welcomed by the children, who are
looking forward to doing a good work on their
own account. Mrs. Frank Burns was elected
superintendent, and will commence work at
once.

HURON.

Brantford.—Grace Church.—A mission band of
the young people of this parish in connection
with the Woman's Auxiliary was formed on
April 10th in the schoolroom. There was a large
attendance of young girls from seven to sixteen
years of age. Mrs. W. F. Cockshutt has charge
of the band, with Mrs. A. E. Watts and Mrs.
A. J. Campbell as assistants. Miss Newman
was elected secretary, and Miss Emily Bunnell,
treasurer. The young people are entering upon
this deserving work with a great deal of en-
thusiasm.

ONTARIO.

Kingston.—St. George's Cathedral.—The mem-
bers of the Junior Branch of the W.A. on Monday
evening, April 8th, made Miss Frances Macaulay
a life member. The meeting was held in St.
George's Hall. The Board gave the gold cross.
Canon Starr, after making a pleasant little
speech, presented her with the life membership.
In the course of his remarks he expressed the
deep regret which all felt in parting with one
who is so much loved and esteemed by the
Branch of the Auxiliary which she represents.
Miss Macaulay, president of the Diocesan Board
of the W.A. pinned on the cross. The president
of the junior Branch was deeply affected, and
thanked all connected with the honour most sin-
cerely and earnestly. Tea was then served by
the junior members. The table decorations were

red and white carnations, and the decorations
were also of the auxiliary colours. Only a few
guests beside the Executive Committee of the
board were invited, as it was exclusively a repre-
sentation of the W.A. and Junior W.A. of the
cathedral. The \$25, which accompanied the life
membership, Miss Frances Macaulay wished
given to the memorial church at Selkirk in
memory of Bishop Bompas, which was gratefully
accepted.

St. Paul's.—On Monday evening, April 8th,
the members of the parochial Branch of the
W.A. met at the residence of Mrs. W. B. Carey
and presented her with a beautiful gold thimble
as a remembrance of her capable and energetic
work as the president of that Branch.

Leeds Rear.—The ladies of this parish, prior
to their leaving for Kingston, presented the Rev.
W. F. and Mrs. Fitzgerald with two surplices,
an address and a substantial purse of money,
respectively.

Picton.—The annual meeting of the local
Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the
Parish House on Tuesday afternoon, April 9th,
at 3 p.m. The Rev. W. L. Armitage occupied
the chair. After the opening service an ad-
dress from the president and very satisfactory
reports from the secretary and treasurer were
read, also some correspondence. There was a
large number of the members present. After
the business was concluded refreshments were
served by the members.

Camden.—The three branches of the W.A. in
Camden East, Yarker and Newburgh have done
good work during the past year under their
presidents, Mrs. Ashcroft McWilliams, Mrs.
Albert Benjamin, and Mrs. C. H. Finkle. A
splendid outfit for an Indian girl, "Dorothy,"
worth at least \$30, has been shipped to Brocket,
Alberta. Two good bales will also go forward
to Lake St. Martin, Manitoba, and Indian Head,
Qu'Appelle. The annual meeting for election of
officers will be held at Yarker at 3 p.m., Friday,
April 12th. The annual meeting has been held
at Newburgh. The Sunday School offerings for
Missions on Easter Day were \$21.36, with more
to hear from.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

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

Brotherhoodmen should subscribe for the "Can-
adian Churchman."

With the Travelling Secretary.—Leaving Corn-
wall, the thriving factory town of Valleyfield,
Que., was next called at, and a hearty welcome
was given by the Rev. R. Gordon, Ascah, who
had met the Travelling Secretary in Montreal,
and had given a personal invitation to visit his
parish. A very interesting meeting was held in
the evening, the men listened very attentively
as Mr. Thomas described the aims and objects
of the Brotherhood, and it was decided to meet
on the following Sunday to complete formation
of a probationary Chapter at St. Mark's, Valley-
field. There are special opportunities for carry-
ing on successful Brotherhood work in that
parish, many men constantly coming in from the
Old Land, and a great deal of good could be
done through personal visiting. The following
day train was taken for Hawkesbury, Ont., and
the Sunday morning and evening congregations
were addressed. Owing to a very heavy snow
storm (the most severe of the whole season) large
congregations could not be expected, but before
leaving the Travelling Secretary made a number
of calls upon men, with the rector, Canon
Phillips, (who has the splendid record of thirty-
five years in one parish), and a sufficient number
of men were interested to form an active Chapter.
The rector will lend every assistance, and it is
hoped that before long a Chapter will be organ-
ized at Trinity, Hawkesbury, especially as two
former members of the Brotherhood were met in
that parish. There was considerable doubt as to
a train being able to get out on Monday, but the
snow-plough getting to work soon cleared the
line, and a run was taken to Montreal. A tele-
gram had been sent to Mr. H. J. Webber, Do-
minion Council member at Montreal, but it was
delayed, and so the first night in Montreal was
spent at an hotel, attending to a good quantity of
pressing correspondence, no meeting having been
arranged for. Tuesday, found Mr. Thomas lo-
cated for the balance of the week as the guest of
the Rev. A. P. Shatford, curate of Church of St.
James' the Apostle, who had met the Travelling

Secretary, when he had visited North Sydney,
C.B., where Mr. Shatford was rector of St. John's
Church.

Tuesday night, the week-night service at St.
Thomas' Church was attended, Mr. Thomas giv-
ing the address, quite a number of men being
present. A Chapter had been in operation
some years ago, a beautiful building has been
erected on a new site, and the outlook ahead is
very promising, and it is felt that an efficient
Chapter of earnest men could do a vast amount
of good at this particular time, and be of great
assistance to the esteemed rector, the Rev. Canon
Renaud. Every effort will be made to have a
good Chapter working in this important parish
in early fall at latest. St. Simon's Church in St.
Henri, in the extreme west end of Montreal, was
visited on Wednesday evening, and a splendid
band of workers met, who are loyally assisting
the rector, the Rev. Frank Charters, to build up a
successful parish. Evening service was held,
those present had the work of the Brotherhood
laid before them in a stirring address, the rector
afterwards speaking in the most favorable way
of the splendid work already done by this or-
ganization, and hoping to see a Chapter at work
in St. Simon's before long. On Thursday, a visit
was paid to St. Clement's, Verdun, also in the
extreme west end of Montreal, and a hearty wel-
come was extended by the rector, the Rev. F. L.
Whitley, who was formerly assistant to the Ven.
Archdeacon Ker, at Grace Church, where he had
met the Travelling Secretary on a previous visit
to that parish. Mr. Whitley has only recently
been appointed to St. Clement's, and is entering
upon his work there with his well-known energy,
and has already surrounded himself with a splen-
did band of workers. An address was given to
those present at week-night service, the men
afterwards being met, and spoken to very
effectively by Mr. Webber and Mr. Thomas, and
after full consideration has been given, a Chapter
will likely be formed. The parish is a growing
one, the rector is young and energetic, and a
particularly earnest lot of men were met, so that
the prospects for a successful Chapter are very
bright indeed. On Friday, (Good Friday), the
Travelling Secretary addressed a good-sized con-
gregation at Christ Church Cathedral, speaking
specially of the growth and development of the
Brotherhood, and afterwards met the members of
the Cathedral Chapter who are doing splendid
work, although they are not many in numbers.
The Cathedral Chapter specially takes up the
work of house to house visiting, looking up men
in boarding houses, and paying particular atten-
tion to the students attending McGill College,
which is in the immediate vicinity. The curate,
the Rev. F. J. Sawers, is especially active in
Brotherhood work, and has done much by his
influence to make this quite a successful Chapter.
The Junior Chapter is shortly developing, and
will be all the stronger by taking time, and Mr.
Strader who is actively interested in this work
hopes to send application for charter in before
long. The following evening, (Saturday), a meet-
ing was held at St. Edward's Church, the Rev.
Rural Dean Sanders, the men having the Brother-
hood idea presented to them by Messrs. Webber,
Strader, Brotherhood, and the General Secretary,
and as a result a small chapter will be formed by
a few earnest men, who can do most effective
work in that parish. On Easter Sunday, after
attending 7 o'clock celebration at St. James', the
Apostle Church, the Travelling Secretary had the
pleasure of joining in the morning service at the
same church, and listening to the Easter sermon
by the venerable rector, the Rev. Canon Elle-
goode. Dinner was then taken with Canon
Renaud at St. Thomas' rectory, and in the after-
noon the teachers and scholars of the Sunday
School were spoken to by Mr. Thomas. A long
street-car ride was then taken to Point St.
Charles, the Travelling Secretary being invited to
have supper at Grace Church rectory, meeting
there the rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Ker, and
the Rev. F. L. Whitley, now rector of Verdun.
At evening service on Easter Sunday, an address
was delivered to a crowded congregation of 700
people at Grace Church, the rector afterwards
making a strong appeal for more workers to
join with the Chapter which has now been work-
ing for years. Each day during the week a num-
ber of calls were made upon men of different
parishes, and a distinct move forward can be
noticed in Brotherhood work in the city of Mont-
real. The growth may be slow, but it will be all
the more permanent, and before long the city
should be leading in Brotherhood activity, and its
influence would mean very much indeed. Early
Monday morning train was taken for St. Johns,
Que., and although it was Easter Monday, with
the usual vestry meeting to be held, a very en-
couraging meeting was held in the parish hall
prior to the vestry meeting. In a very clear and

forcible way, the whole Brotherhood work was presented to the men, one of those present being a member from Trenton, N.J., and as there are abundant opportunities for carrying on work owing to the number of men employed in the Singer Sewing Machine Co. and the potteries, it is felt that a Chapter could do splendid work, and be of great assistance to the rector, the Rev. W. Windsor. The men had literature placed in their hands, and a number of men were called on at their offices, and have since had copies of St. Andrew's Cross sent them, and every consideration will be given to the questions of the formation of a Chapter. Farnham was the next place visited, a call being made there on Tuesday, April 2nd, a former Brotherhood man of St. Peter's, Brockville, F. H. Hough, meeting the Travelling Secretary at the station. This parish is at present vacant owing to the untimely death of Rural Dean Harris, and consequently nothing much could be done in the way of visiting men. There had been a Junior Chapter established, which for some reason had died out, and as it seemed impossible to revive it at present, every effort was made to create interest in a senior Chapter. At the meeting in the evening, the whole matter was thoroughly discussed, Mr. Thomas presenting the Brotherhood in a very interesting address, and the work will be further considered. A probationary chapter will be formed, and on the appointment of a rector, an active Chapter will settle down to work. Among those present was a former director of a Chapter in London, England, who through the "follow up" system had been kept in touch with, and is ready for active service in his new home. Farnham is an important railway centre, there is plenty of work to do, and an active Chapter would be of great assistance in that parish. On trying to reach Stanbridge, East, it was discovered that owing to a bridge being carried away by a flood, the trains were all out of order, and after waiting for two hours at the station, the Travelling Secretary received a phone message from the Rev. R. Y. Overing, advising that the visit had better be postponed. Nothing further could be done, but go to the hotel, get to work at correspondence until well on into the night, and then take train following morning for Bedford.

Winnipeg.—The Convention, which is to be held in this city (D.V.) on May 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th prox., is a gathering of great importance, both to the Brotherhood and to the Church, especially in Western Canada, on which all eyes are now turned. It will be the first Dominion Convention of the Brotherhood held west of Ontario. The programme is strong, and the speakers men of power, including such men from a distance as Bishop Richardson, of Fredericton, N.B.; the Very Rev. Dean DuMoulin, of Cleveland, besides strong speakers from Western Canada. The rates will be single fare, return, on certificate plan, going by any route, with extra advantage of single fare return trips from Winnipeg to any point in the West. The attractiveness of the Convention and of the Convention rates should leave no doubt as to more than fifty of these certificates being purchased from Port Arthur and points east of Port Arthur, which is the only requisite for the reduced rates. There are various ways of securing the attendance of delegates: 1. Brotherhood men, who can afford it, will arrange their holidays and make their plans now to be present at their own expense. 2. Chapters of the Brotherhood will club together and raise enough money, either from themselves or the contributions of their congregations, to pay for or contribute towards the expense of one of their number as a delegate. 3. Congregations may take this opportunity of giving to the rector or curate a well-earned holiday, which will bring them back to their congregations with fresh ideas for their work and a glimpse of the possibilities of the great West. 4. Bible classes or men's clubs, who have been helped by individual Brotherhood men, might seize the opportunity of giving some return to the individual men who helped by paying their expenses to the Convention. 5. Individual Churchmen, who are not Brotherhood men, may combine the Convention with business or with pleasure, taking the Western trip in a most economical way. Entertainment will be provided in Winnipeg for all duly credited delegates. The rates will apply to the wives and friends as well as to the Brotherhood men. If eighteen or more men travel from Toronto together a special tourist sleeping car will be attached to the train, cutting the Pullman rates in half. It is most material that the names of any of those intending to go should be sent to the head office of the Brotherhood, 23 Scott Street, Toronto, so as to enable the officers to be certain of the number requisite for reduced rates.

Home & Foreign Church News

From our own Correspondents.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

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

St. John's.—St. Mary's Hall.—A very pleasing incident took place in this hall on Tuesday evening, April 2nd, when the Rev. T. E. Wilson, Principal of Queen's College, who was just about to leave Newfoundland for England to take up an important position there, was presented by the parishioners of St. Mary's with a walking stick. Mr. P. F. LeMessurier made the presentation on behalf of the parishioners and he heartily congratulated Mr. Wilson upon his new appointment and he regretted the loss which the Church in Newfoundland would receive on account of his departure. The speaker thanked Mr. Wilson for the services he had so kindly rendered to the parish during the past few years, the eloquent sermons preached, and he finished by saying that when his evening star had set that his morning star would rise, which would only fade in the light of Heaven. Mr. Wilson, who was taken by surprise then replied: "It is not an easy matter for me to reply, and only wish I was worthy of all the good things Mr. LeMessurier has stated. I can assure you it has been a very great pleasure for me to come to St. Mary's. My friendship with your rector has been a very sincere one. I have to thank you very much for this beautiful stick, and when I leave Newfoundland I hope I shall have a place in your prayers and remembrances." Mr. Cogan then made a few remarks, stating what a great help Mr. Wilson had been to him personally as well as to the parish.

St. Thomas.—The annual vestry meeting took place on Tuesday evening, April 2nd, in the Canon Wood Hall. Wardens: M. G. Winter, F. Rendell. Delegates to Synod: Hon. G. T. Rendell, Sir J. S. Winter. The reports presented showed that the parish was in a prosperous condition.

NOVA SCOTIA.

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

Halifax.—St. Stephen's.—The annual vestry meeting was held in this church on Monday, the 15th, reports submitted showing the year just ended to have been the most satisfactory in the history of the church. Receipts for the year aggregated \$2,401.17, expenditure being \$2,228.07.

The Ladies' Committee of the Church has now merged in the Woman's Auxiliary—the Diocesan organization, having completed its invaluable work. The following Financial Committee was appointed: Messrs. H. B. Stairs, F. W. Moore, R. Bennett, W. L. Brown, H. Adams, R. P. Butler.

Trinity.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Diocese of Nova Scotia, held on the 16th inst., the action of the Legislature was confirmed in the matter of the removal of this church to the Garrison Chapel. It will be recalled that the Legislature expressed its acquiescence in the change, provided the Diocesan Executive by a majority vote, was favourable to it. By their action Trinity may now remove to the chapel.

St. Luke's.—The Woman's Auxiliary held a Thanksgiving service in this church on the 17th inst., when all the city branches were represented. The Bishop celebrated the Holy Communion and preached. He was assisted by the Sub-Dean and the Rev. W. Cotton. There was a large attendance.

There was a good meeting of the Clericus Club of this city on the evening of the 15th inst. The subject discussed was "Eschatology" and an excellent paper by the Rev. J. S. Ancient treated of man's universally instinctive belief in, and reaching out towards the world to come; of our present state as determining our condition beyond, and of the eternity of punishment as well as of reward hereafter. The discussion following served to illustrate the uncertainty which is felt by many of the clergy concerning the soundness of those traditional beliefs, which have formerly been widely received, and which once bulked so largely in religious exhortations. It might well be that the Bishops of the Church should direct prayers to be offered at certain seasons, asking for Divine light and guidance in this difficult matter, so that men may be duly warned of the dreadful day of judgment, and of

the awful results and punishment of sin in the world to come, according to the Will of God. Otherwise it would seem that preachers of today may be incurring, by their neglect of such warnings, the terrible reproaches of some, who, if they had been made "to tremble" concerning "judgment to come," might, unlike the Roman governor to whom St. Paul preached, have been turned from their disobedience to the wisdom of the just.

Westville.—The Bishop visited this parish last Friday and confirmed twelve persons. The church was crowded. On Saturday afternoon the Bishop addressed a large meeting of women on the subject of "Missions." A branch of the Woman's Auxiliary is one of the many signs of progress in this busy parish. The people recently renovated the rectory at considerable expense.

Pugwash.—The new rector, the Rev. C. O. Baylee, is doing excellent work in this old parish. He was recently inducted by the Rev. Rural Dean Downing, Pugwash, which means Deep Water, is situated on one of the most beautiful of the many beautiful bays on the Nova Scotia side of Northumberland Strait. During the old shipbuilding days it was a flourishing place, but now, like many others of the coast towns it has dwindled to a village, delightful as a summer resort, but with nothing to maintain its population.

Truro.—Archdeacon and Mrs. Kaulbach were heartily welcomed home after their winter trip to Bermuda. Both have been very much benefited, and after the Archdeacon recovers from a slight cold caught by the sudden change from the tropics to a backward spring, he is likely to be more vigorous than ever. The Bishop spent Sunday, the 14th, in the parish. At 8 o'clock he celebrated and dedicated a paten and chalice in memory of the late rector, the Rev. J. W. Forsythe. The Bishop preached in the morning and in the evening confirmed fifteen persons. Truro has not only a very handsome church, but it is one of the very few stone churches in the diocese. It stands a monument of the able and indefatigable labours of the Archdeacon, who has built up a large and united congregation in the midst of a population where the Church of England was far in the minority when he first began his work.

Windsor.—King's College.—The Rev. Professor Brodie Brockwell has resigned his position as Alexandra Professor of Divinity in this college. He will probably take up the teaching of Semitic languages at some Canadian or American university.

The Rev. S. Weston-Jones, rector of Windsor, who has been taking an extended tour in England on behalf of S. P. G., is expected home very shortly.

The Bishop of the diocese will hold a general Ordination in the Parish Church on Trinity Sunday next.

Bedford.—The Rev. V. E. Harris has recovered from his recent serious illness.

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Dorchester.—Finances in a thoroughly satisfactory condition. Amount raised from all sources about \$1,800. The apportionments more than met. Electric lighting system installed at a cost of over \$300. A number of other improvements, both to rectory and church, have taken place. Officers for ensuing year same as last year. John Hickman and W. Hagen, Chapmen, wardens. His Honor Judge Hanington and Hiram Palmer, lay delegates to the Synod.

Sackville.—St. Paul's.—The Bishop-Coadjutor confirmed 22 candidates in this church on Sunday morning, April 7th.

A reception was tendered Bishop Richardson the following evening in the school room. The attendance was large and the function much enjoyed. An address was presented to His Lordship by Mr. J. P. Allison on behalf of the Church corporation, to which the Bishop very happily responded. Addresses were also given by the Rev. A. J. Cresswell, of Amherst; Rev. M. Hall, of Dorchester, and others. Rev. C. F. Wiggins presided. At the close of the addresses a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments served.

Mount Whately.—St. Mark's.—The Bishop-Coadjutor held a Confirmation service in this church on Sunday afternoon, April 7th, when seven candidates received from him the apostolic rite.

QUEBEC.

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

Kirkdale.—Holy Trinity.—Wardens: W. Akerman, T. Duffy. The financial statement submitted was a satisfactory one.

North Hatley.—St. Barnabas.—Wardens: J. McKeay, E. Springins. The financial report was a most encouraging one. It was unanimously resolved to raise the parish to the status of a rectory.

Marbleton.—St. Paul's.—Wardens: J. E. Bennett, C. Weyland. Delegate to Synod: A. Barter. The financial standing was shown to be good and all debts paid.

Robinson.—St. Paul's.—Wardens: W. Webster, A. A. Hawley.

Hallerton.—St. John's.—Wardens: W. Cookman, G. Towle. Delegates to Synod: J. Collings, A. Keddy. The financial report was a very satisfactory one.

Georgeville.—St. George's.—Wardens: Dr. Keyes, Mr. G. McGowan. Delegate to Synod: A. W. Bull.

Danby.—Wardens: J. Patrick, H. McCutcheon

Kinsey.—Christ Church.—Wardens: J. Armstrong, J. C. Evans.

Sydenham Place.—St. Paul's.—Wardens: R. R. Beard, D. F. Towne. Delegate to Synod: A. W. Doyle.

Shawinigan Falls.—St. John the Evangelist.—The annual vestry meeting of this church was held on Wednesday, April 3rd. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: People's wardens, Chas. B. Croft, Vivian Burrill; Secretary-Treasurer, R. B. Davidson; Sidesmen, Messrs. Parlow, Wheeler, Thomas and Bethel. Delegates to Synod, Vivian Burrill and R. B. Davidson. Finance Committee, Messrs. Davidson, Thomas, Bethel and Brown. The election of auditors was left in the hands of the wardens. The Rev. J. G. Ward wished to know if the congregation could not raise the assessment toward the Diocesan Board, and it was promptly agreed to increase it by \$300. It is expected the Mission will be self-supporting in the near future.

MONTREAL.

James Carmichael, D.D., Bishop, Montreal.

Huntingdon.—St. John's.—Wardens: A. Boyd, M. J. Rankin. Delegates to Synod: J. C. Bruce, C. Denick. Receipts, \$1,057.32. Disbursements, \$1,023.51.

Iberville.—Trinity.—Wardens: W. McGinnis, J. Black. Delegates to Synod: Dr. W. H. Wood, Mr. E. Judge. The financial report was a most satisfactory one.

Iron Hill.—Holy Trinity.—Wardens: G. Jones, M. Shufelt. Delegates to Synod: W. Hillhouse, G. McCrum.

Sweetsburg.—Christ Church.—Wardens: W. O. O. Shufelt, C. A. Boright. Delegates to Synod: Dr. H. L. Fuller, G. H. Baker.

West Brome.—Church of The Ascension.—Wardens: J. C. Pettes, G. A. Williams. Delegate to Synod: J. C. Pettes.

Frelighsburg.—Bishop Stewart Memorial Church.—Wardens: Mayor Westover, Mr. E. H. Hunter. Delegates to Synod: A. H. Holden, E. H. Hunter.

Dunham.—All Saints.—Wardens: J. F. Watson, J. L. Gilbert. Delegates to Synod: J. S. Baker, J. Selby. The financial report was an excellent one, showing the finances to be in a better condition than ever before in the history of the parish.

Stanbridge.—St. James.—Wardens: A. Gardner, H. Beattie. Delegate to Synod: H. Hibbard. The financial report was a very satisfactory one.

Granby.—St. George's.—Wardens: W. Mountain, F. W. West. Delegates to Synod: J. B. Payne, W. H. Robinson.

South Stukely.—St. Martin's.—Wardens: J. C. Spencer, F. A. George. Delegates to Synod: R. A. Savage, M. F. Goddard. The finances were reported to be in a satisfactory condition.

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ONTARIO.

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

Kingston.—St. James.—The annual vestry meeting was held on Monday evening, April 15th, at 8 o'clock, the Venerable Archdeacon Macmorine, M.A., rector, presided. After the usual devotional exercises, W. Dalby, vestry clerk, read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved. J. S. R. McCann presented the auditors report which showed the finances of the church to be in a most satisfactory condition. The receipts were \$4,801.86, and the expenditure, including the amounts contributed to Missions and Church schemes amounted to about that amount. The following figures of interest appear in the receipts: Pew rents, \$902.87; Sunday offerings, plate, \$817.17; envelope, \$896.87; among the payments made by the Church Treasurer of Sunday School, \$107.67; Choir Fund, \$23.17; Poor Fund, \$74.20; Special Choir Fund, \$166.38; paid Diocesan Treasurer, \$256.67; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, \$24.55; Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$325.03; General Hospital, \$40.96; Jewish Mission, \$27.43; Wycliffe College, \$161; Woman's Auxiliary, \$122.04; Junior Woman's Auxiliary, \$74.40, and Church Children's Missionary Guild, \$17.50. The church and Sunday School are insured for \$14,300, the rectory for \$3,000, church bell, \$300, and windows, \$700. Mr. McCann explained many questions which arose, in a satisfactory manner. The report was received and adopted. W. J. C. Allen was appointed people's warden and Francis King rector's warden; auditors, George E. Hague and J. S. R. McCann. The following sidesmen were chosen, many of whom were re-elected: James Stacey, Francis Partridge, Sr., J. J. Crawford, W. Hamilton, H. Taylor, Watson H. Walker, W. S. Ellis, W. J. C. Allen, R. E. Genge, W. Linton, George Crawford, A. E. Shannon, Frank Hamilton, H. V. Callaghan, Norman Smith, Isaac T. Morris, Francis Dobbs, James H. Walker, Frederick Reid, W. Roberts, Frank Ludlow, W. Ravincroft, Professor Kirkpatrick, Isaac Asselstine, H. Sargent and Professor Gwillum; Advisory Board, George E. Hague, J. S. R. McCann, William Linton, George Crawford, J. J. Crawford, Professor Alexander Kirkpatrick, F. Welch, Wm. Dalby, W. T. Allen, W. Murray, Frank Hamilton and Frank Partridge, Jr. Much regret was expressed by the rector that Mr. J. C. Paterson's

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health was so impaired that he was prevented from acting on the various committees on which he was so active. The annual excursion will be held to Ottawa probably about the 12th of June. Although W. Dalby, who has in the past been so efficient did not want to undertake the management of the event. His service was recognized by re-appointing him chairman of the committee. The Advisory Board were instructed to ascertain the cost of wiring the church and installing electric light, and if the light could be secured as cheaply as the gas, were given power to instal it. The Vestry heard with much regret that the choir leader, Miss Mable Bailey had been ordered by her physician to take a rest and asked to be relieved of her duties. The rector paid a high tribute to Miss Bailey and to the choir. The change of the choir from the old form to a surpliced band of singers had been accomplished after much thought, and in a quiet manner. The rector had yet to hear of any complaint. On the contrary the musicians received the highest praise for the hearty manner in which they contributed their share of the worship. At a subsequent meeting of the congregation Francis King was chosen a delegate to the Synod for three years. The other delegates, are Dr. Rogers, K.C., and George E. Hague.

St. Paul's.—A large number of the members of the congregation gathered together in the schoolhouse on Monday evening, the 15th inst., for the purpose of bidding a hearty welcome to the new vicar, the Rev. W. F. Fitzgerald and his wife. The room was tastefully decorated for the occasion with bunting, flowers and mottoes the word, "Welcome," being very much in evidence. During the evening an address of welcome was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald on behalf of the congregation by Ald. Elliott, one of the wardens to which the vicar made a most appropriate reply. The whole affair passed off most pleasantly and successfully.

Hungerford.—Holy Trinity.—The annual vestry meeting was held on Thursday evening, April 4th. Wardens: W. Catherine, T. Beatty. Delegate to Synod: W. Catherine.

Clarendon and Palmerston Mission.—Wardens: Dr. J. Elkington, Mr. G. Ostler. Delegates to Synod: Mr. G. Ostler, Dr. R. J. Garrett. State of finances satisfactory.

Camden East.—St. Luke's.—Wardens: J. Robinson, C. Riley. Delegate to Synod: C. Riley. The funds of the parish have never been in a better state.

Newboro'.—St. Mary's.—Wardens: J. H. Butler, R. H. Preston. Delegate to Synod: R. H. Preston. The churchwardens' report was eminently satisfactory, showing from a financial standpoint one of the most successful years in the history of the parish. This work was highly creditable. Among the many improvements effected were repairs done to the tower and extensive repairs to the basement. A resolution was passed expressing great appreciation of the efficient, faithful and earnest work of the rector during the past year.

Actinolite.—Wardens: G. Mayne and S. Ramsay.

New Boyne.—St. Peter's.—Wardens: J. Preston, B. L. Lyons. The reports presented by the wardens were gratifying and showed financial progress.

Belleville.—The annual meeting of the Bay of Quinte Clerical Union took place in this town on Wednesday and Thursday, April 10th and

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11th. An interesting paper was read at the session on the first day by the Rev. Canon Roberts, Mus. Doc., on "The New Canadian Hymnal." The Rev. Canon Bogert presided. In the evening a public service was held in Christ Church which was well attended. The Revs. R. C. Blagrove, Canon Roberts, Rural Dean Armstrong, E. Costigan and W. S. Armitage took part in the service, the latter clergyman preaching the sermon which was an able and scholarly effort from the words: "Awake to righteousness and sin not." The session on the following morning was mostly taken up with the discussion of the apportionment of assessments for General Missions and several matters of diocesan importance. At the afternoon and closing session the Rev. Canon Bogert read a paper on the subject of "Patronage."

OTTAWA.

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

Ottawa.—Following "Missionary Sunday," on the 14th inst., a splendid meeting was held on Monday evening in St. George's Parish Hall, a meeting which was characterized by many old Ottawans as the finest missionary meeting ever held in the city. The hall was crowded to its full capacity, and a notable feature in the audience was the unusually large proportion of men. The Lord Bishop presided, and the speakers were the Lord Bishop of Moosonee, the Lord Bishop of Keewatin, the Very Rev. Dean Farthing, of St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, and the Rev. Canon Tucker, General Secretary M.S.C.C. The audience listened attentively to a quartette of most interesting and inspiring addresses, and warmly endorsed the many good points made.

St. George's.—Mr. Birch of Wycliffe College, Toronto, will succeed Mr. Woolcombe as curate of this church.

St. Alban's.—The annual Confirmation services were held at the Church of St. Alban the Martyr last week. Fifteen candidates were confirmed and other clergymen in addition to the Bishop who were present were the rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Bogert, the Rev. Messrs. Sills, and the Rev. Richards. There was a good attendance, and special hymns were sung. The organist, Mr. Carter, presided at the organ.

St. Luke's.—At the adjourned vestry meeting most satisfactory reports were received, showing the church to be out of debt, an increased membership, improved school attendance, and sustained activity along all lines. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Rector's churchwarden, R. A. Nesbitt; people's churchwarden, W. Farmer; vestry clerk, W. H. Hasley; auditors, R. A. Barnett, and Mr. Clinch; representatives to Synod, W. Farmer, S. McClenaghan and J. Daly. The finance committee of last year was re-elected for the coming twelve months.

St. Barnabas.—The unexpected announcement was made at matins on Sunday, 14th inst., by the rector, the Rev. Lewis Lanpher, that he had tendered his resignation to the Bishop, to take effect May 1st. This was the first intimation the congregation had had of any such step being in contemplation, and many regrets were heard at the pending severance of a relationship which has been mutual, satisfactory, and beneficial. As voiced in a resolution of appreciation and regret passed at a special vestry meeting held the following evening. A conference between the Bishop and congregation took place on Tuesday, when the situation was thoroughly canvassed. The appointment of a successor rests, of course, with His Lordship, who, however, desired to consult with the people. No definite announcement has yet been made, but it is understood one may shortly be expected. The Rev. Lewis and Mrs. Lanpher will return to New York whence they came to St. Barnabas a year and a half ago.

Avonmore.—St. Mark's.—The annual vestry meeting was held in the church on Tuesday, April 2nd. Wardens, J. D. Wiggins, W. Stevenson.

Cornwall.—Church of The Good Shepherd.—The annual vestry meeting was held on Tuesday, April 9th. Wardens, H. Iveson, G. W. Rumions. Delegate to Synod, R. Rumions. The financial statement presented by the wardens was a very satisfactory one.

Smith's Falls.—St. John's.—Mr. Powell has been appointed organist of this church. He comes from Fredericton, N. B.

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TORONTO.

Arthur Sweatman, D.D., Archbishop and Primate, Toronto.

Toronto. Toronto Church of England Sunday School Association.—The annual service of the Association will be held on Monday, April 29th, at 8 p.m., in St. Alban's Cathedral. The service will be under the direction of His Grace the Archbishop, and the Rev. Canon MacNab, assisted by the Cathedral choir. The Rev. A. G. Hamilton Dicker, A.K.C., will preach. Sunday School teachers and their friends are most cordially invited to attend.

St. Paul's.—Toronto has lost a good citizen and the Church in this diocese a useful member by the death of Mr. Stapleton Caldecott at his late residence, 64 Woodlawn Avenue, on Wednesday, April 17th. Mr. Caldecott had been in failing health for a year past, but had attended to his usual duties up until the day of his death. He was taken suddenly ill after attending a business meeting down town; kind friends assisted him to his home, where he passed away in a few hours. He leaves a widow, two sons,—Fred, of Montreal, and Walter, of Toronto Junction,—and a daughter, Mrs. Beverley Smith, wife of the rector of St. John's Church, Toronto Junction. Mr. Caldecott was born in Chester, England, in 1836. At the age of 21 he came to Canada, settling in Montreal. In 1879 he came to Toronto where he founded the wholesale dry-goods house of Caldecott, Burton, and Spence. Latterly he has been a member of the firm of Dekenham, Caldecott & Co., of London, England. Mr. Caldecott has been a prominent figure in business, philanthropic and religious circles in Toronto for twenty-five years. The Rev. Canon Cody at the funeral service in St. Paul's Church, and again on Sunday morning last made feeling reference to the memory of Mr. Caldecott. It was hard, he said, to realize the death of one so full of vitality, energy, and interest in life; he was still young at seventy years. He was an earnest Christian, an upright business man, a public-spirited citizen, a warm-hearted, generous, loyal friend. The business men of Toronto had honoured him with the presidency of the Board of Trade; he had been President of the Young Men's Christian Association, he was ever a supporter of Sunday School work, and a strong temperance advocate. At the time of his death he was President of the Industrial Schools' Association, and he had been Treasurer of Wycliffe College almost since its inception. He had represented St. Paul's Church in the Synod of Toronto for many years. His legacy is a good name, better than great riches; institutions, educational and philanthropic, which continue their beneficent work. Truly his works do follow him. His had been a life of service, measured, not by what a man gets, but by what he gives, and he had died wearing the harness. "After he had served his generation, by the fear of God, he fell on sleep." Mr. Caldecott was a Liberal in politics, and although he had on occasion showed that he was bound to no party, he had been more than once offered parliamentary nomination. In Churchmanship he was a staunch evangelist.

St. Jude's.—A very handsome and beautiful brass chancel screen has been presented to this church by a family attending the church. The design is unique in every way. There is a large cross in the centre, figuratively illustrating the serpent slain by the power of the Cross. There are three lights on each side representing the teaching of the Blessed Trinity. There are three arches overlaid with elegant scroll work, all being done in the finest brass. It is the finest of its kind in this country. It was designed and manufactured by the James Morrison Co., of Toronto.

Wycliffe College.—A meeting was held in the Convocation Hall of this college on Friday evening last, in the interests of the C.E.Z.M.S., when addresses were delivered by the Rev. A. R. and Mrs. Cavalier, who for many years past have been engaged in missionary work at Timneveli, in Southern India. They made a strong appeal for assistance in the building and maintaining of hospitals, etc. In the interesting statistics they presented, it was shown that in India there are 145,000,000 women and girls ignorant of Christianity, 143,250,000 without medical aid in sickness, 30,000,000 kept as prisoners in Zenas, and millions of despised widows, between the ages of 4 and 15 years. The Hon. S. H. Blake presided.

St. Thomas.—A very full and representative meeting of the congregation, at which the number of ladies present was especially noticeable, took place on Monday evening, the 15th inst. The rector presided. At this meeting the matter of the building of a parish house, and a new chancel and transept for the church were discussed. After

a somewhat lengthy discussion it was decided not only to adopt the plans of the architect, which calls for an outlay of \$40,000, but, if possible, to buy outright the house immediately next door south to the church on Huron Street, at an additional cost of \$8,000 or \$10,000, for the purpose of a rectory. A committee was appointed to arrange for the raising of the necessary finances.

The news of the sudden death, from an attack of pneumonia, of Dr. Perse Smith, who up to the 1st April, and for some time previous, had held the position of organist and choirmaster of this church, was received with great regret by his many friends in the congregation. Dr. Smith died at Jacksonville, Ill., on Wednesday, April 17th, in the General Hospital there. He leaves a widow, three daughters and one son to mourn his loss, to whom we beg to extend our most sincere sympathy.

St. Stephen's.—The Rev. Canon and Mrs. Broughall have returned to this city after a most enjoyable trip up the Mediterranean and elsewhere. During his absence from the city the Archbishop appointed Dr. Broughall to an honorary canonry in St. Alban's Cathedral.

Holy Trinity.—The Right Rev. Dr. Joscelyne, Bishop-Coadjutor of Jamaica, gave a very interesting address in the schoolhouse on Tuesday evening, April 9th, in which he gave many details concerning Jamaica and its climate, its people and its products, of the Church life there and of the earthquake and its most disastrous results. The Rev. Canon Welch, the Rural Dean, presided.

Norway.—St. John's.—The Rev. R. Gay, of the Diocese of Ontario, has been appointed curate to the Rev. W. L. Baynes-Reed, the rector of this church.

Streetsville.—Trinity.—Wardens, R. Graydon, W. Taylor; delegates to Synod, C. Hilyer, R. Graydon, E. W. Pollock. The financial standing of the congregation is most satisfactory.

Buckhorn.—St. Matthew's.—With a Lenten Self-denial Offering and a very kind and generous contribution from a Churchman of Peterborough, the Church of England people of Buckhorn have redeemed a mortgage of nearly \$200 on the Church property here in the Mission of South Burleigh, Smith and Harvey, where Mr. A. Bagshaw has been labouring since last autumn, and the worshippers at St. Matthias' Church are rejoicing at having a substantial and well-furnished brick structure for the public worship of God free of debt.

Ashburnham.—St. Luke's.—The Easter services were attended by large congregations, 258 communicants partook of the Holy Sacrament. The Rev. E. H. Langfeldt asked his people for an Easter offering of \$400, to which appeal they responded by placing \$521 on the offertory plates. The Rev. Dr. Symonds, a former rector of St. Luke's, gave six lectures on Tennyson's "In Memoriam," under the auspices of St. Luke's, upon request of the Rev. E. A. Langfeldt. His many friends were delighted to see him again. The lectures were very interesting and greatly enjoyed. The attendance steadily grew, and from the first to the last lecture a large audience was present. Dr. Symonds is greatly beloved by his former parishioners, as well as by the people of Peterborough, who are always delighted to have him in their midst.

NIAGARA.

John Philip DuMoulin, D.D., Bishop, Hamilton, Ont.

Guelph.—St. George's.—The adjourned vestry meeting took place on Monday evening, April 15th, the rector, the Rev. G. F. Davidson, M.A., presiding. Wardens, J. M. Duff, H. C. Scholfield; delegates to Synod, C. E. Howitt. Receipts, \$5,768.06; disbursements, \$5,379.50. The committee appointed at the annual meeting to consider what suitable memorial to the late rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Dixon, should be placed in the church, suggested that the windows in the north and south transepts of the chancel should be filled in with stained glass of suitable colouring and design. The rector, churchwardens, Mr. W. H. Jones and Mr. Murton, were appointed to take the matter in hand, and select an equal number of ladies to act with them.

St. James'.—The auditors presented their report at the adjourned vestry meeting which was held on the 15th, and it was adopted. An addition was made to the stipend of the rector, the Rev. C. H. Buckland.

Rural Deanery of Hamilton from all parts of the diocese. In some noted, and in all a marked success. The next meeting for Tuesday, April 30th, in Milton. On the statistical reports from the diocese will be studied, and the attention noted. The annual meeting which is to be held will also be arranged. Festival of S. Philip an celebration of the Holy and the proceedings of a Greek Testament, studied by the Rev. F. W. "The Church Catechism Rev. Robt. Atkinson, Langtry's "Struggle F Wallace, M.A., Oakvi by the Rev. Matthe Canon Overton's, "T Rural Dean Belt, M. Noxon, Georgetown, evening service.

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Rural Deanery of Halton.—The Easter reports from all parts of the deanery show very satisfactory progress. In some an increase of stipend is noted, and in all a marked reduction in indebtedness. The next meeting of the Chapter is called for Tuesday, April 30th, and Wednesday, May 1st, in Milton. On the Tuesday, the year's statistical reports from the several congregations will be studied, and the points requiring attention noted. The annual Sunday School Convention will be held in Acton in September, which will also be arranged for. On May 1st, the Festival of S. Philip and S. James, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 a.m., and the proceedings of the day will consist of Greek Testament study (St. John 1:43, to end), led by the Rev. F. W. Hovey, M.A., Burlington, "The Church Catechism and Catechising," the Rev. Robt. Atkinson, Georgetown, review of Dr. Langtry's "Struggle For Life," by the Rev. T. G. Wallace, M.A., Oakville; "The New Theology," by the Rev. Matthew Wilson, M.A., Acton, Canon Overton's, "The Anglican Revival," by Rural Dean Belt, M.A. The Rev. S. Clowes Noxon, Georgetown, will preach at the Tuesday evening service.

Acton.—The Bazaar held in this parish on April 4th and 5th, brought a clear sum of \$500, which will be applied towards a new church building to be erected this summer.

Lowville and Nassagaweya.—The Rev. Wm. L. Archer, M.A., has been appointed to this Mission, and will take up his residence in the parish immediately after the Trinity examinations close. Mr. Archer has enthusiasm, earnestness, and ability, and will, no doubt, do an excellent work. He has been taking the Sunday duty during the winter.

Milton.—The adjourned vestry meeting was held on Monday evening, 15th inst. The auditor's report showed that the indebtedness of the congregation is \$300 less than last year. During the past six and a half years over \$1,000 has been paid on the church debt and furnace. The mortgage now stands at \$1,100. Considerable improvement is to be made to the Sunday School building immediately, and an expenditure of \$700 was authorized for the purpose of renovation. The building will be re-shingled, lined with Georgia pine, and a stone foundation put under the walls.

Mount Forest.—St. Paul's.—The annual vestry meeting of this church was held on Wednesday evening, April 3rd, when one of the most successful years in the church's history was reported, with all indebtedness paid off, and a balance of \$193.13 on hand. The following officers were appointed:—Churchwardens, W. C. Perry and R. N. Craig; sidesmen, R. B. Bailey, Thos. Wood, J. T. Allen, W. L. Smith; lay delegates to Synod, Messrs. J. C. Wilkes, E. C. Wood, and G. L. Allen. The congregation is looking forward to another successful year under a new rector in the person of the Rev. P. L. Spencer, of Jarvis, Rural Dean of Haldimand, whose appointment to this parish was made by the Bishop just lately.

Caledonia.—St. Paul's.—The adjourned vestry meeting of this church was held in the vestry on Tuesday evening, 9th inst., when the churchwardens' report was read, showing the gross receipts to have been \$1,081.14 during the year, leaving a net balance on hand of \$69.14. All departments of work were shown to be in a most favourable condition. At the conclusion of the meeting a resolution was passed to increase the rector's stipend by \$60, and if possible to raise the \$100, so as to meet the requirements in the diocese of at least \$700 as a minimum stipend. The Rev. J. K. Godden thanked the vestry for their earnest effort, and the meeting closed with the Benediction.

Two societies have recently been formed in the parish; the W.A., with 51 members, and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, with 6 members, who were admitted by special service. Both these societies are thriving, and promise good things for the parish.

HURON.

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

London.—The gift of two building lots has been accepted from the promoters of Cronyn Park for the purpose of erecting an Anglican Church in the southeastern portion of the city facing Trafalgar Street. The size of the combined lots is 67 x 130 feet. A church will probably be erected in the near future.

The various churches in this city held their adjourned vestry meetings on Monday evening, April 15th, when financial statements were received.

St. Paul's Cathedral.—Receipts, \$10,551.52; disbursements, \$9,700. There were 381 communicants on Easter Day.

Cronyn Memorial Church.—Receipts, \$9,584.22; disbursements, \$9,318.57.

St. John the Evangelist.—The financial report was a very satisfactory one, notwithstanding the extra expense on the Sunday School which amounted approximately to \$500. When the matter of free pews came up there was a warm discussion, and it was decided that the pewholders be notified to attend a meeting to be held at an early date, when the question will come up for further discussion. The question of church extension in the northeastern part of the city was taken up and favourably considered. The rector was requested to take some action at once and report at a future meeting.

St. Matthew's.—The report of the auditors which had been submitted at the Easter vestry meeting was adopted. There was no other business transacted.

Christ Church.—The report of the auditors was adopted and various congratulatory resolutions were passed.

St. George's.—The financial statement which was submitted to the meeting was a most encouraging one, showing great liberality on the part of the congregation. Receipts, \$3,136.29; disbursements, \$3,008.23. The question of free pews was considered and a number of the members expressed themselves as being in favour of having all seats made absolutely free. A committee was appointed to interview the pewholders and ascertain their feelings in the matter. A meeting of the congregation will then be called. The stipend of the rector, the Rev. G. B. Sage, was increased by the sum of \$100. His work has been greatly appreciated during the past year.

Brantford.—St. Paul's.—The Lord Bishop of the diocese held a Confirmation service in this church on Sunday afternoon, April 14th. There were about 25 candidates in all from the two parishes, St. Paul's and St. James'. The sacred edifice was crowded, and the Bishop preached a very impressive sermon to the candidates, giving them good, practical advice, and outlining to them how they could lead the true Christian life. The service all through was a very impressive one. Mrs. Howard presided at the organ.

Greenock.—The Rev. A. Shore, of Cargill, has been visiting this locality weekly during the fall and winter, and conducting cottage meetings there which have been well attended, and much appreciated, and have drawn to them many who were not attending any place of worship. At Easter the people gave expression of their appreciation by presenting Mr. Shore with a purse of some \$25. He has also started services at Eden Grove, where many, hitherto unfamiliar with our Prayer Book, have commenced to attend.

Chesley.—St. Paul's.—The annual meeting was held on April 8th. Wardens, W. H. Davis, O. J. Brown; delegate to Synod, H. W. Parry. The financial statement was a very satisfactory one.

Bruce Deanery.—The annual Easter vestry meeting recently held in the parish of Christ Church, Invermay, St. Stephen's Church, Lake Arran, and the Church of the Redeemer, Elsinore, present in each case a splendid financial report. The wardens' report shows that after paying all expenses there is a good balance in hand in each place, especially at Lake Arran and Elsinore where a portion of which balance will be used in Church repairs. These two stations also raised every dollar against them in the way of missionary allotments. In fact the parish throughout has reached a standard in this respect hitherto unknown having raised more for missionary purposes the past year than in any previous year in its history, the pastor and many of the congregation believing in the principle that if we do our duty faithfully for missionary calls the home causes will not suffer.

Lucan.—The vacancy in this parish caused by the departure of the Rev. H. A. Thomas, has been filled by the appointment of the Rev. A. Carlisle, B.A., to be rector of the combined parishes of Lucan and Clondeboye. Mr. Carlisle, on his graduation from Huron College, became assistant at the Memorial Church, London, where he has remained ever since, and has done exceptionally satisfactory work. His many friends will be glad to hear of his appointment to the important parish of Lucan.

South Sarnia.—St. John's.—On Monday, April 15th, a large company assembled to witness the turning of the first sods for the erection of a new church in this parish. After the first sods were turned by the wardens and others, the rector, the Rev. F. T. Evans, offered prayer, and a few of the visiting clergy delivered addresses. We are delighted to chronicle the steady progress of this young congregation, which has a bright future before it in the progressive town of Sarnia.

Auburn.—St. Mark's.—The report presented at the annual vestry meeting of this church was the most satisfactory one ever presented here. All current expenses were met, and a neat sum still remains on hand, while the Woman's Guild has a balance of about \$60. The full apportionment for the M.S.C.C. was raised, and nearly all the Diocesan Mission apportionment. Some repairs and improvements were made on the church, and everything is well looked after. The congregation are working harmoniously and with splendid zeal. Mr. Jas. Medd was re-appointed rector's warden, and Mr. Wm. Bamford was re-elected people's warden. Mr. Wm. Bamford was elected delegate to the Synod. The Bishop will be in this church on April 20th for Confirmation. At present everything is bright with promise for the future welfare of this congregation.

Belgrave.—Trinity.—The annual statement of this church showed all liabilities met and a balance of over \$11 on hand. Everything is well looked after, and things are in a flourishing condition generally. The wardens, Mr. Robt. McMurray and Mr. Henry Johnston, were re-elected, and Mr. Richard Procter was elected delegate to the Synod. Contributions from this congregation to Missions of all sorts amounted for the year to the sum of \$66.67, the most ever known to have been raised for that object, and we look for better results in that department in future.

Blyth.—Trinity.—The wardens of this church were enabled this year to give the most satisfactory and gratifying report ever rendered. It revealed a very encouraging financial condition. All current expenses were paid, \$150.20 was paid on church debt, \$99.56 was given for Missions, and a balance of over \$133 still rested on the right side of the ledger. Other departments of the church were also able to report balances as follows: A.Y.P.A., \$133.18; Sunday School, over \$40, and Woman's Guild, \$14.20. The contributions to Missions this year have exceeded that of any years in the past. The wardens for next year are: Thomas Code, people's warden, and Frank Metcalf, rector's warden. This will be Mr. Metcalf's fourteenth term as warden, and he certainly is an efficient one. He was also re-elected lay delegate to the Synod, a position he has filled for years, and his ability is so recognized in the diocesan body that he holds several important places on committees there, one of which is as member of the Executive. Mr. J. W. Bell was appointed vestry clerk, and Messrs. J. Walker, J. W. Bell, C. Johnston and Geo. Potter were appointed sidesmen, and Robt. Powell and Will Watson, ushers.

MOOSONEE.

G. Holmes, D.D., Bishop, Chapleau, Ont.

Chapleau.—On Good Friday night we closed a series of united, (Anglican and Methodist) mission services, which have been held in the Public Hall, and which had for their special object, the ingathering of young men who never attend any place of worship. The attendance throughout has been most encouraging, especially on the last night of the mission, when the hall was well-filled; and the presence and power of the Holy Spirit was unmistakably manifest in the earnest uplifted faces of those who seemed to be drinking in the story of the Cross. There was a very solemn, quiet, stillness of atmosphere under which every one felt awed, and I think that we all—both speakers and hearers—felt that we were having a fresh vision of Calvary. Many hearts were deeply touched and eyes moved to tears. One gentleman remarked to me the next day that he did not think that any single soul could have left the hall untouched. The addresses were given by the Rev. Mr. Coulter, (Methodist), the Rev. G. S. Denison and myself. One of the most encouraging features of the mission is seen in the weekly increasing number of young men in our congregation. On Sunday last a Confirmation service was held in the afternoon, when five candidates received Apostolic rite of laying-on of hands in the presence of a large congregation.

At the evening service the church was crowded to its utmost capacity, and a very earnest, practical sermon was preached by the Rev. Robt. Holmes, (my brother), who was recently ordained by His Grace the Archbishop of Rupert's Land. My brother is now on his way to England for a short holiday before returning to Peace River to resume his duties at Christ Church Mission. He will be accompanied by his wife and two children. The Rev. A. McLain Banting has been appointed Diocesan Secretary, besides his other duties as Indian Missionary. He is also doing a most encouraging work at Biscotasing. The Rev. G. E. Penison is doing temporary work here until he leaves, about the end of May, to take charge of the Moose Fort School.

Bishop Holmes will leave on the 25th of next month on his summer journey in his diocese. He will go to Dinorwic on the C.P.R., then across to Osnaburg, thence to Port Hope, English River, Albany on west coast, Charlottetown Island, James Bay, Fort Judge, at the end of the Bay, and, if possible, Whale River. He will return to Ruperts' House and go back up the Abitibi River. The journey will take two months and a half.

RUPERT'S LAND.

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

Winnipeg.—His Grace the Archbishop at the last meeting of the Executive Committee announced the offer made by the S.P.C.K. to provide fifty fellowships of £30 a year, good for three years for Canadian-born young men desirous of taking a course of study in order to prepare themselves for the ministry. This generous offer is most opportune, and will no doubt be very helpful in connection with the efforts being put forth to obtain more clergymen for the missions of the diocese. While there may be a difference of opinion regarding the wisdom of insisting on the condition that they shall be Canadians by birth in view of the need of large and immediate additions to the ranks of the clergy in the diocese, yet no doubt the principle of a native clergy for the Church is generally speaking the right principle. It is a great advantage for the clergyman to be to the manner born. Certainly the Society has laid the diocese under a fresh debt of gratitude for its kind help at the present juncture. Let us hope that the men may be forthcoming. We can now say to any young man of sufficient ability, and wit ha desire to become a clergyman, "want of means with which to pay your way through college is no longer a serious barrier." Any suitable man who will earnestly apply himself may now enter college and go steadily forward in a course of preparation for Holy Orders. With the help of a fellowship supplementing the grant for summer and Christmas missionary work practically all expenses can be paid. The financial difficulty removed it is now up to the clergy to make known the great need of more clergy, and the advantages which here are offered. We are of the opinion that if they will earnestly bring this matter to the attention of young men everywhere, many of them will respond. Most of the clergy know of one young man at least in their parishes who would make a useful clergyman, and who if privately and affectionately appealed to by his pastor would at least give this need and call of the Church his serious consideration.

Winnipeg.—Christ Church.—A confirmation service was held on Wednesday evening, March 27th, in this church, by the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, in the presence of a large congregation. Thirty-four candidates, consisting of 18 young men and 16 girls, the latter attired in white Confirmation dresses and caps, occupied front seats in the nave. The service commenced with the processional hymn, "Soldiers of Christ, Arise." The archbishop spoke a few earnest words to the candidates on the responsibilities of confirmation, after which they were presented by the Rev. S. G. Chambers, the rector. His Grace delivered an earnest and helpful address. Then followed the laying-on of hands.

Christ Church.—The curate of this parish, the Rev. F. S. Lewis, has tendered his resignation, and will leave shortly for England where he has accepted a curacy.

All Saints.—A beautiful white altar frontal which was presented to the church by the members of the Altar Guild, was used for the first time on Easter Day.

All Saints.—The Rev. J. S. Vallalley, the curate of this parish has resigned the position, and intends returning to England.

St. Michaels and All Angels.—The Mission Church, on the corner of Mulvey Avenue and Hugo Street, in Fort Rouge, is undergoing alterations preparatory to the arrival of the Rev. J. B. Haslam, to take sole charge of the mission. The seating capacity of the old building is being doubled, and other improvements made, to accommodate the congregation in this rapidly growing district. Mr. Haslam comes to Winnipeg with the reputation of a zealous worker and a devout priest, and the numerous supporters of the mission are looking forward to the accomplishment of a great work in this part of the city.

Holy Trinity.—The annual vestry meeting of this parish was held on Monday, April 8th. The attendance was large. The warden's report was encouraging. The year's receipts were \$17,723.44. The wardens, G. F. Carruthers and H. Bruce Gordon were re-elected. The following were elected select vestrymen:—Messrs. J. C. MacNab, W. A. Windatt, J. C. Falls, R. F. Manning, C. A. E. McLea, H. M. Belcher, J. S. Moore, Chas. E. Jefferys, Burbridge, G. R. Brock, J. E. Sadleir. The delegates to the Synod are Messrs. E. D. Martin, G. F. Carruthers, and Wm. Cross. The Rev. D. T. Parker, B.A., entered upon his duties as assistant at Holy Trinity the first Sunday after Easter. He is a graduate of McGill University, and studied Theology in the Montreal Diocesan College. After a year and a half as curate to Archdeacon Naylor in the Diocese of Montreal, he moved to the West, and was rector of Shoal Lake in the Diocese of Rupert's Land for over a year. A reception was given in his honour by the Young People's Association on the 16th of April.

St. Matthew's.—Wardens, J. R. Rooney, A. L. Moran; delegates to Synod, J. J. Rooney, G. L. Armstrong, H. Gray. Receipts, \$2,760. The rector's stipend was increased to \$1,200 per annum.

St. James.—Wardens, J. Bruce J. Cook; Delegate to Synod, J. Bruce.

In all the other city churches the meetings were postponed for a longer or a shorter period.

Stonewall.—The rector of this parish, the Rev. E. L. Howe, has resigned the rectorship owing to ill-health, and expects to take work in British Columbia. Under Mr. Howe the parish became a rectory about a year ago, since which time the church at Stonewall has been enlarged and improved, and during his incumbency a new church was built at Brant, one of the outstations. Mr. Howe leaves the parish well equipped, and in every way prosperous. His leaving will be a matter of much regret.

Deloraine.—St. Andrew's.—At Easter this church was made the recipient of two valuable presents. The first was a handsome font, the gift of the Junior W.A.. This is a substantial erection with white marble bowl, and limestone pillar and base. On the bowl is engraved, "Suffer the little children to come unto me;" on the pillar there is the inscription, "Erected to the glory of God by the Junior W.A. of St. Andrew's Church, Deloraine." The second gift was a handsome set of white serge altar cloths and hangings, presented by the Senior Auxiliary. On the festival the altar was adorned with beautiful white flowers, the gift of the Auxiliary. The Easter services were bright, attractive, and well-attended, the number of communicants exceeding that of last year.

Norwood.—St. Phillips.—Wardens K. Richardson, J. H. Mulvey; delegates to Synod, R. Seed, C. S. Tyrrell. The financial report was a satisfactory one, and it was decided, practically unanimously, to abolish pew-rents.

Oak Lake.—The Rev. S. Ryall, late rector of this parish, has removed to Calgary, and entered upon his duties as priest-vicar in the Cathedral Parish. A successor has not yet been appointed.

Melita.—This parish, which for several years has been receiving a mission grant, has recently become entirely self-supporting. The Rev. S. J. Roch, who has more than once declined offers of larger and stronger parishes is deserving of the congratulations he is receiving on the success of his faithful work in his present sphere. Of this success a new church built and opened during the past year at Elva, an out-station of Melita, is also an evidence.

Reston.—A recent canvass of this Mission by Mr. Jeffery, the General Missionary of the Diocese, has resulted in a resolution adopted by the parishioners looking to entire self-support at an early day. This is specially gratifying in view of the fact that a new church not yet quite paid for has recently been erected here. These

conditions attest the value and influence of patient persevering effort on the part of a clergyman steadily striving to do his duty in that position in which his lot has been cast and constitute a rebuke to that restless and easily discouraged spirit, which is, alas, only too common. The incumbent of this parish is the Rev. Joseph McKinney. Would that we had more of his type.

Norwood.—St. Phillip's.—An interesting event took place in the basement of the church, on Tuesday evening, April 2nd, when the rector, the Rev. T. J. Shannon and his bride-elect, Miss Newell, of Fort Rouge, were the recipients of two handsome wedding gifts from a few members of the congregation. The occasion chosen for the presentation was after the Easter banquet, which was very prettily served by ladies of the congregation to a large number of the congregation and their friends. Mr. Kemp-Richardson made the presentation and handed the rector and his fiancée a handsome case of cutlery and silver-plate, and a lady's hand-bag, coupled with the heartiest wishes of all present for a long and happy life. Mr. Shannon responded and said he hoped in the future his parishioners would have an opportunity of enjoying with himself the use of the gift that had just been made. A capital concert followed.

Brandon.—St. George's.—Wardens, H. L. Patmore, J. M. Bell; delegate to Synod, J. W. Pickett; substitute, H. L. Patmore. Receipts, \$931.23; disbursements, \$928.28.

Belmont.—Christ Church.—Although weather conditions were most unfavourable, the services during Holy Week and Easter were well attended and heartily participated in. Only residents in the West can appreciate how far short of one's heart's desires we are compelled to come in the observance of the sacred services of the Church. A three hours' service on Good Friday was also still out of our reach. Partly indifference and partly genuine difficulty are the cause. However, as the next best thing, we held a service commencing at 1.30 and ending after 3 p.m. The attendance was sufficient to warrant the undertaking. The incumbent delivered two addresses, one upon the Jews and the Church's work among them; the other on the fact of the Crucifixion. The service was so arranged that the "Story of the Cross" was being sung by the choir as a devotional hymn at the hour when our Blessed Saviour yielded His soul to His Father. An offertory for work among the Jews was taken up afterwards, and the service ended with the Benediction. An evening service was held at St. Michael's Church, Ninette, and was well attended. On Easter morning an early celebration of Holy Communion was held at 8 a.m., and another at 11. Many of the country communicants were debarred from attendance by the bad state of the roads. Both morning and evening services were semi-choral. The choir sang Semper's beautiful anthem, "Awake, Thou that Sleepest." In the afternoon, over roads almost devoid of snow, the incumbent was driven to Ninette (nine miles) where Evening Prayer and celebration were held. The only hope of making connections lay in trusting oneself to the not too tender mercies of a liveryman, who, in spite of a broken whiffletree, accomplished his task successfully.

The annual vestry meeting was held on Easter Monday, and was well attended. The retiring churchwarden, Mr. J. N. Donnaghy, presented a most satisfactory report, showing that, by a special effort, the financial position of the parish had been established on a solid foundation. All old debts and arrears of stipend are wiped out, and the parish takes another step towards self-support. This is due to the business-like and untiring efforts of Mr. Donnaghy, who was regrettably relinquished from office at his own special request. The local branch of the W.A. also contributed largely to the funds this year. The new wardens are Chas. Cameron, incumbent's, and R. S. Darby, people's warden. The wardens were also appointed delegates to the Synod. The same evening Mayor Watkins and a company of amateurs organized by him gave a dramatic entertainment in the town hall to a large and appreciative audience. The play was entitled "All that Glitters is not Gold," and all the parts were most creditably performed. The proceeds (\$30) were handed to the warden towards the church funds. During the past year the W.A. raised by a harvest dinner and sale of work sufficient money to place a much-needed furnace in the vicarage and erect a stable.

Considerable diocesan news and correspondence, etc., held over on account of space.

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A magnificent organ, which is one of the largest in the States, was unveiled on Easter Day in St. Stephen's, Philadelphia. It is given as a memorial to the late Mrs. Magee by the members of her family.

By the will of the late Rev. Dr. Robert Ritchie two hundred volumes from his valuable library are given to the library of the Divinity School in West Philadelphia for the use of the students.

A handsome memorial tablet was, in Holy Week, placed in St. Mark's, LeRoy, in memory of the late Bishop Cox, of Western New York. This tablet is the gift of the Sunday School class of Miss Mary A. D. Stanley.

The gift of \$5,000 to St. Paul's Church, Marquette, which has recently been made by Mr. Peter White, a well-known member of the congregation, is to be used for the construction of a guild hall and club-room, which are at present greatly needed in the parish.

The oldest church bellringer in the Exeter Diocese recently passed away at Sandford in the person of Mr. E. Chanter. He also held the office of sexton longer than any of his predecessors during the last 200 years, and since succeeding his father in the office in March, 1860, had personally attended 1,226 burials.

Mrs. Duckett, of Dublin, has given £500 to Archdeacon Lloyd's special fund. It is to be spent as follows: £300 to provide the stipends of three catechists for one year, and £200 to build three churches and shacks for the catechists. She further promises to give £300 a year for the next two years to pay the stipends of the three catechists.

The Rev. Dr. Cameron was consecrated Coadjutor Bishop of Capetown in St. George's Cathedral, Capetown, on St. Matthias' Day. All the Bishops of the Province, ten in number, assisted the Archbishop in the act of consecration. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Canon Puller, S.S.J.E., of Umtata Cathedral.

The Rev. Canon Cosgrave was presented at West Hartlepool lately by the Rev. R. E. Parr on behalf of many subscribers with an illuminated address, together with a portable altar and set of Communion altar vessels and linen for the Communion of the Sick. The address and presentation was made to him on the completion of the twenty-fifth year of his ministry in the Church.

Including the estimated value of a house which has been placed at the disposal of the committee, the sum of £14,500 has been promised or subscribed during the year for the Suffolk Bishopric Fund. Ely House, Dover Street, London, has been sold by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for £32,175, which sum will be divided between the two new Dioceses of Suffolk and Essex.

The report of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, for 1906 is a remarkable

record of parochial activity. Canon Pennefather has now been ten years in this important charge. The total sum raised in collections, subscriptions, etc., is £19,250. The total of voluntary offerings has stood for some years at about £15,000 annually. Other parishes benefit considerably from the gifts allotted to them by St. Mary Abbots.

St. Thomas' Church, Milford, in the Diocese of Southern Ohio, was consecrated on Easter Day. The church in its entirety is the gift of Mr. John Robinson as a memorial to his wife and daughter. It is built of blue stone, and is in the style of an old English abbey church. It has beautiful stained-glass windows throughout. Mr. Robinson will also build a rectory, and a frontage of 1,000 feet will be used for a flower garden and park.

It is an unusual honour to have tablets placed in any church to honour men who are still living. In St. Paul's Church, Columbus, Ohio, however, two tablets, two feet wide and two and one-half feet high, have been made ready to place in appropriate positions in honour of Mr. Willis Gaylord Bowland, who has been a member and director of the choir for twenty-five years, and of Mr. W. H. Bebb, organist for the same length of time. Both tablets have been erected by the members of the vestry.

Mr. Christopher Chavasse and Mr. Noel Chavasse, who represented Oxford in the "sprint" races against Cambridge at the Inter-Varsity athletic sports held recently in London, are the twin sons of the Right Rev. Dr. Chavasse, the Bishop of Liverpool, and were born upon Christmas Day. They bear the names of two famous Oxford clergymen, the Rev. A. M. W. Christopher and the Rev. M. H. Noel, who belonged to opposite poles of religious opinion. Father Noel was the vicar of St. Barnabas', and Canon Christopher is the retired rector of St. Aldate's. The latter was the founder of the famous "Missionary" breakfasts at Oxford.

The Ven. J. D. Langley, Archdeacon of Cumberland, was consecrated second Bishop of Bendigo, to succeed his late brother in Melbourne Cathedral on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul by the Archbishop of Melbourne, who was assisted in the ceremony of consecration by all the Bishops of the Province of Victoria and the Bishop of Newcastle, N.S.W. The Rev. Canon Jones, Principal of Moore Theological College, Sydney, preached the sermon. The new Bishop was enthroned in the Pro-Cathedral, Bendigo, two or three days later. The Rev. J. Dixon, rector of St. Thomas', Balmain, Sydney, has succeeded him in his Archdeaconry.

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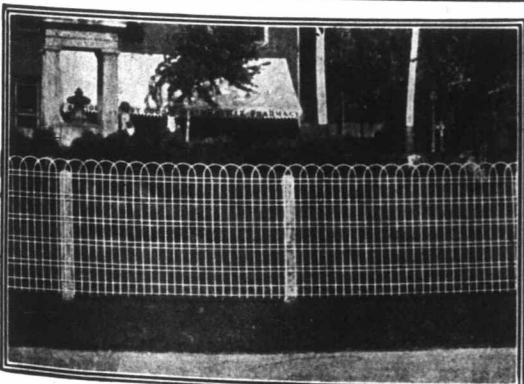
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"There goes Mr. Brown," I heard Mrs. Jones say; "precious tired he must be!"

I wished her good evening, and asked why she thought the Rector must be so tired this evening. I was doing district nursing then. I had been well trained in London, and was practising in this country parish before going abroad as a medical Missionary.

It had never before fallen to my lot to see much of the lives of the respectable agricultural poor. I learned, however, much in this year's nursing. I grew to have a very great respect for the many women, who cheerfully and uncomplainingly cooked, washed, and cleaned for husbands and children; who mothered their families, made real homes, and brought up God-fearing children on little more than twelve shillings a week.

Mrs. Jones was one of these women. I remember a neighbour saying of her, "Yes, Miss, and she's always good-tempered—even on washing days."

Another thing which struck me with wonder was their readiness to help one another. Perhaps one needs to feel oneself the real fatigue of a daily life of toil before one can appreciate what this means.

I had three bad cases of bronchitis at one time, and two needed to be sat up with.

"You can't leave Mrs. James this evening, Miss, so I'll sit with Mrs. Thompson," was readily volunteered. "But, Mrs. Somers," I objected, "you look tired out now."

"Well, Miss, I haven't slept much since I lost my boy, somehow, so I may just as well sit with a neighbour as lie awake alone."

"Didn't you know, Miss," said Mrs. Jones, in reply to my question about the Rector, "Mary James' idiot son escaped from the 'Sylum' yesterday? The Rector, he came down as soon as ever Mary sent. Tom, he seemed quiet with him, and Mr. Brown, he never left him till he'd seen him safe back in the 'Sylum.' He is coming from Mary's now I expect. Its more'n I'd cared to do; Tom could be rare and fierce at times."

I shuddered. "You women seem to have the village to yourselves this evening," I said.

"The men's way up to the allotments, Miss; 'tis a long way off, as you knows, so they had their teas early, and went off to try and finish the tater planting."

"That reminds me of my tea, so good-night, Mrs. Jones," I said, then walked on to my rooms at the post-office, where, having had tea, I sat down for a rest with a book.

I must have fallen asleep, for I woke with a horrible start. The church bell was ringing wildly, and with it came a cry which sent me hurrying out of doors—"Fire! fire! fire!"

Oh, where were the men? I flew down the village street. Three thatched cottages were in a blaze,

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and from one, the tallest of the three, came piteous cries. Three little children put early to bed were in an upper window. Their mother, an almost helpless cripple, was wringing her hands in the road. She had been sitting with a neighbour when the alarm broke out.

One woman had run to ring the bell, a second was tearing along to the allotments. All knew that they would be too late, and all wept and many talked.

But one, Ann Somers, a tall, strong woman, who had just run up, exclaimed, "Fetch Jim's thatching ladder some of you"; and leaning over the poor cripple she said, "Don't you fret, Bessie. God helping me, I'll have your babies down most as if I were a man."

"Fetch mattresses," I cried; and while some brought the long ladder others spread beds and bedding round its foot.

Up the ladder went Ann. We gasped and shuddered. Leaping flames came from the lower part of the house and caught at her dress, but she climbed on steadily.

First one child she handed out of the window to me lower on the ladder, a second, and then she climbed in at the window as a burst of flames seemed to come out to meet her. I saw her re-appear with the baby, and then for a few minutes I knew no more. The ladder had burned through, and it and I fell. When I was up again Ann was gone, but

before we had time to realize more, we could hear her calling, "I'm coming, Bess; I've got him."

And coming she was, fighting her way through the flames; one mass of flame herself, she fell on the mattresses, and from her arms we took the baby, little hurt, rolled tightly in a blanket.

We wrapped her in the bedding, but Ann was dying.

"Never mind me," said the brave woman; "see the bell's brought the squire and his fire engine. Bless you, Bessie, girl, don't cry so; it's worth while. Do anything for me? Why so you can. Look after uncle a bit, will you? And neighbours"—here her voice broke—"keep my boy's grave tidy."

She stopped, and the eager promises hardly seemed to reach her ears. "Yes, I'm coming, Jack," I heard her say, and she was gone.

I need not tell you how all hands worked to put out the flames, and how kindly neighbours sheltered their friends so suddenly rendered homeless.

With the efforts of the squire the flames were got under, and the fire extinguished. Big tarpaulins were spread over the piles of rescued "belongings" till they could be sorted and better housed, and leaving the local policeman on guard lest fresh mischief should break out, the village settled into quiet.

Few, however, slept much. The thought of Ann's death cast into the background the other horrors of the fire, and yet they were there, too.

"Ah, Nurse," said the post-mistress, "to see the bits of things—the old clock and the very doors and cupboards torn out of my grandfather's old house—it seemed almost as if they were handling him rough himself."

Thursday was beautiful. Ann's funeral was to be at six, before the evening service. It was more like a summer day—calm and still. Like Robert Stephen Hawker's parishioners, the people often begged that their funerals might be at the time for leaving off work, and all the vil-

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lage wished to follow Ann Somers. The Rector was old and white-haired. He had known many troubles, but in his preaching and in his life there was the joyfulness of real faith and love. The restfulness of perfect trust penetrated all his teaching.

After the funeral we all re-entered the church for a short service. From the pulpit Mr. Brown looked on nearly the whole of his parishioners.

"He saw of the travail of His soul and was satisfied," was his text, and he went on to remind us what that travail was. As he spoke we seemed to be standing amid the crowd around the Cross, to be seeing and hearing as those others saw and suffered.

We felt it was for us He hung and suffered there, to save us—each one of us individually. We seemed each one to come into His presence, and to feel how much He had borne for us ourselves.

"Let us see to it," said the Rector, "that for each of us He may see the travail of His soul and be satisfied; that we disappoint Him not—that the prophet say not to one of us, 'Is it nothing to you that ye pass by?' So much has been done for us. It's not what do we think we would like to do for Him? it is what do we owe Him? What is His right?"

I went out to India soon after, and it was not until last year that I found myself back in the little village again. Time had brought many changes, but my landlady still reigned at the post-office, and was the happy possessor of a granddaughter.

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Seeing the old friends brought back the past vividly, and I had heard news of many who were out in the world, and of some who were gone.

"I must try and get to Lane End to-morrow," I said. "I brought Ann's uncle some tobacco which I think he will like."

Mrs. Williams smiled. "You are like all the rest of us, Miss, in caring for the old man. The weekly paper you ordered has been such a pleasure to him."

"Who has he lived with?"

"Well, Miss, Bessie had him, for he said it seemed natural to live with the babes, his lass had saved; and Bess, she liked it. He's a handy man is old Sam, and the children would mind him as they would no one else. It's made a different home of Bessie's, I can tell you. She and her husband, and all they, couldn't seem to do enough for him; and they have learned his good ways. 'Twasn't only old Sam they took in, but his Bible, too, you see.

"But some of us was disappointed. We had set our hearts on having Sam after what Ann asked us as she lay there, and we could not feel that he would be comfortable in such a shiftless home as it was then.

"So we worried over it a bit; we could not do nothing after Ann's 'Look to uncle,' could we, Miss? So we just agreed together.

"Mrs. Jones, she arranged always to do Sam's and Bessie's washing same as her own; and some of us made out to take it in turns to go and do their Saturday's cleaning, and I did their baking. But there, Miss, it was a pleasure, and made one feel almost ashamed when one thought of Ann and her doings. What is a bit of work beside the giving of a life? Have you been to her grave, Miss? Her's and Jack's and her husband's? If you are rested will you come now?"

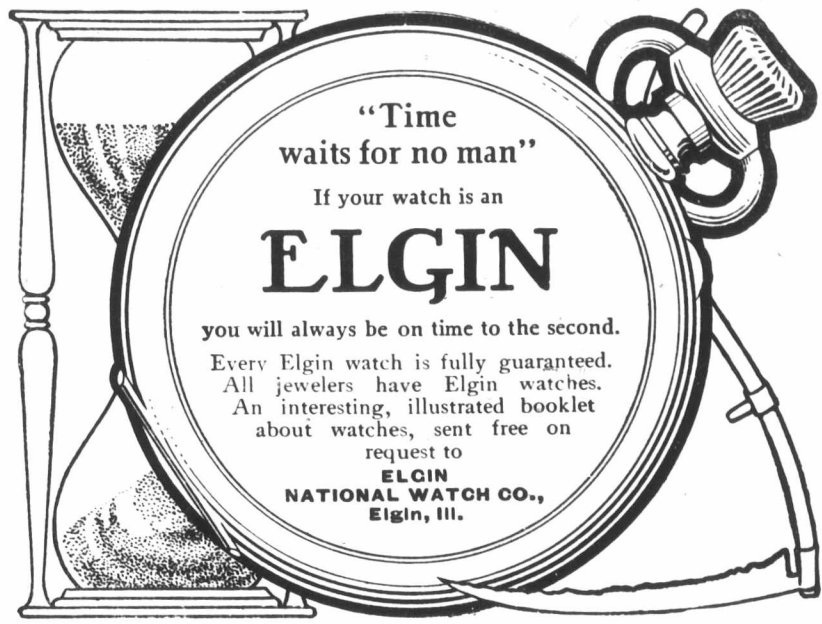
I went willingly. The corner where Ann lay faced the west, and the setting sun lit up almost as brilliantly as the glare of the flames had lit up her dying face so long ago.

I seemed to hear again, "Look to Jack's grave; I'd like it cared for"; and, indeed, they had looked to it. Turf was beautifully kept, and all through were the blossoming plants which her friends tended so constantly. It looked "cared for" as she had wished.

"We all come, Miss," said Mrs. Williams, "and the squire and Mr. Brown, they put the headstone. Bessie's boys used to tend the graves regularly till they went, two as sailors and one for a soldier; and they come here when they are home for a holiday. It is not only Ann it reminds of us either. I am sure, trying to do as she asked us when she lay there, many and many a time's made us think of Him who suffered more dying for us than ever she did.

"I think it must have been to help keep us in mind that Mr. Brown put the words he d'd." Mrs. Williams pointed to the plain white cross

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where were the three names, and under Ann's and the date of her death I saw written:—

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"Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you."

Silently, with a full heart, I stood by the old Rector's grave, too, and then turned away thinking of that last sermon of his, and repeating to myself Keble's beautiful words:—"Thou knowest He died not for Himself, nor for Himself arose: Millions of souls were in His heart, and thee for one He chose.

Upon the palms of His pierced hands engraven was thy name, He for thy cleansing had prepared His water and His flame.

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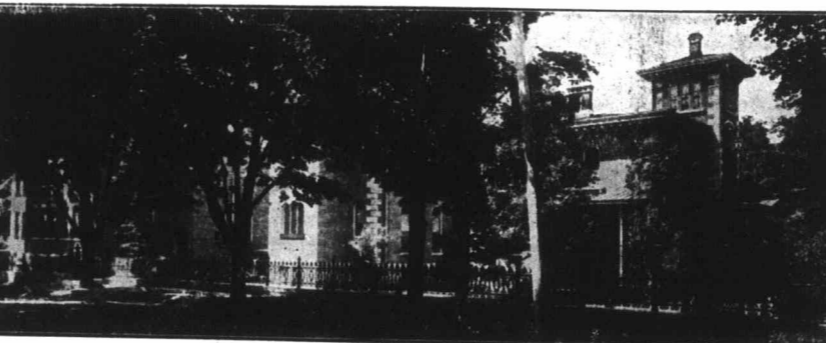
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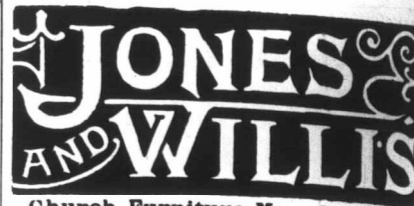
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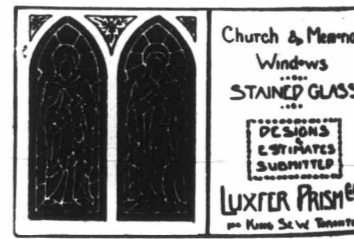
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