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### Notes by the Way.

VERY few of our missionaries have sent any news for this month's issue.

THE energetic Incumbent of the Gravenhurst Mission has been on the war-path in Toronto, Hamilton, and St. Catharines. As to results, the reader may see under head of "Acknowledgments."

THE Bishop of Algoma has completed his April missionary tour in the Diocese of Huron.

ONCE more the missionary steam yacht, "The Evangeline," is in her native element, and no doubt the Diocesan Can(n)on will be heard uttering his "no uncertain sound" in the many little ports to be visited by the Bishop of Algoma during the coming summer.

THERE are said to be 125,000 Indians in Canada who at present are, for the most part, living on reserves which they hold in common. No better way could be devised for the destruction of man's higher capabilities and desire for advancement than the present Indian reserve scheme.

THERE are now in this diocese two self-supporting parishes (Sault Ste. Marie and Port Arthur), twenty-four centres occupied by missionaries, and five missions vacant.

THE little town of Parry Sound has passed the Local Option By-law, prohibiting the sale of all intoxicating liquors, but owing to legal technicalities one license will be granted for the first three months of this year.

THE sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) is needed at once for the general-purpose fund of the Diocese of Algoma, or, in other words, the fund out of which the stipends of the missionaries are paid.

THE church and parsonage fund is wholly exhausted, leaving several structures unfinished, while some missions are patiently deferring the commencement of building operations until they can depend on a grant from the diocese to augment their tiny offerings.

THE contributions of Churchmen towards the funds for domestic and home mission work of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada last year exceeded those of all previous years by seven thousand dollars (\$7,000).

### A Good Example.

A little girl only five years old, residing in the parish of Sault Ste. Marie, wishing to be able to make an Easter offering, voluntarily denied herself sugar in her porridge during Lent, and was thereby able to offer sixteen cents to the Church of Christ, on last Easter day. How much may be accomplished in after life by that little girl, we cannot of course tell; but this much may be predicted with certainty, that lessons in self-denial, carefully inculcated by parents, guardians, or pastors, during childhood, cannot fail, in God's own good time, to produce blessed fruits. Great care, however, must be taken to explain clearly to the little folks the reason why we should deny ourselves, namely, for Christ's sake. The writer once heard a little boy, about twelve years of age, when the various members of the family were deciding what they would

deny themselves during Lent, say, "I'm going to give up mustard, because I hate it." What sort of an idea that child had of the season of Lent, we leave the reader to imagine.

### Some Plain Words.

Speaking at a recent missionary meeting held in London, Ontario, the Bishop of Algoma expressed himself as follows: There were darkness and discouragements to be met with in Algoma, but there were also great encouragements which helped to lighten the rifts in the clouds. One of these was the railway enterprise which had put channels of easy communication through all the diocese, and made travel very much easier for the missionary than it used to be; secondly, the greater respect and love with which the Church was now being regarded by the people, not only of the Church but also of those outside its communion. The excellent staff of helpers he had the good fortune to be surrounded with was a most encouraging feature of the work. But amongst the obstacles was the impecuniosity of the diocese. It was known now, and he believed always would be, and consequently he had to continually appear before them to appeal for help to carry on the work there that he had undertaken. Many of the laity of the Church of England treated Algoma and the North-West unfairly, unjustly, and in an illiberal spirit. There were calls and demands from all quarters which he could not supply. After quoting the remarks of a New York clergyman, to the effect that a selfish spirit on the part of a minister make a selfish parish or diocese, the Bishop delivered an excellent address on general missionary work, quoting the arguments against it and refuting them.—*London Free Press.*

### Our Indian Homes.

I am sorry to say that I was so overpressed with work last month that I found it utterly impossible to prepare my quarterly letter in time for April, but I now take the first opportunity that offers for doing so. Until money comes in more liberally, I fear this widely extending work among the Indians, in which I am at present engaged, must be a constant source of anxiety. It is a grief to me to think that last season many hundred dollars of Government money were lost to us simply because we were unable to make up our quota from other sources. It is no use of the Indian Department offering us \$60 for the year's support of an Indian boy at the Shingwauk Home unless we have another \$60 or \$70 to place beside it to cover the cost of maintenance. The Bishop of Rupert's Land estimates the annual cost of each pupil at the Rupert's Land Industrial School for Indian children to be \$150, and I know from the long experience that I have had that such homes as these

cannot be carried on as they should be for a much less sum than that.

I have only returned quite recently from a visit to Ottawa and Montreal. While in Ottawa I had several interviews with the Indian Department; and in Montreal I had the privilege of addressing the annual meeting of the Montreal Woman's Auxiliary, which has already done so much to aid our work at Elkhorn.

I am thankful to be able to state that the Indian Department appears to be disposed to assist our work at each of the three points at which it is now located, viz., Sault Ste. Marie, Elkhorn, and Medicine Hat. Towards the erection of buildings at Medicine Hat there has been placed on the estimates the sum of \$5,000 and \$2,000 towards the first year's maintenance. These amounts, if passed by Parliament, will enable us to complete and furnish the building we commenced last summer to fence in the grounds, and to commence work on a second building. And the \$2,000 will enable us to make a commencement this summer with 15 or 20 pupils, if a suitable person can be found as superintendent. But these sums will have to be augmented by further gifts and subscriptions, and I do hope that these will come in now that we actually have the prospect of making a commencement. A year ago a clergyman in Nova Scotia promised \$50 toward the Medicine Hat building fund if nineteen others would join, so as to make up \$1,000. This was a generous offer, but nearly a year has passed and only *one other* has as yet responded. Will not some of our English and Canadian friends help us in this?—eighteen more gifts of £10, or \$50, each will secure us £200, or \$1,000, towards our Medicine Hat building fund. When all is completed at Medicine Hat there will be three buildings, as at Elkhorn, with accommodation for seventy or eighty pupils, but the whole cost of building and furnishing will be about \$12,000.

And we want more Sunday-schools to take up our work, both in Canada and England. Some of the Canadian Sunday-schools have been helping us for eighteen years and still do not tire. We appeal to the clergy and to the superintendents of the Sunday-schools to help in this matter, for it depends mainly on them whether or not the children keep up their interest in the work. We have been appealing a long time for forty more Sunday-schools to take up our work and undertake the annual support of a child at \$50 (£10) per annum, but the responses have been very few, and in too many cases have been "set off" by some other Sunday-school, for one cause or another, withdrawing its aid. But we must not grumble. Others have their difficulties as well as we. And in God's good time, no doubt, the needed help will come.

At our Elkhorn Schools, my brother, Mr. Wilberforce Wilson, who has spent most of his life in

China and Italy as a civil engineer, and is eight years my senior, is now the superintendent. At last report they had forty-eight children in residence, and all seemed to be going on satisfactorily.

At our Shingwauk and Wawanosh Homes our numbers are still small—only thirty boys and sixteen girls (instead of sixty boys and twenty-six girls). Want of funds! Want of funds! is the sad cry. But we are hoping for better times. With the assistance of the Government we are busy adding to our buildings, and our hope is that, by July 1st next, we will be filling up again; indeed, we hope to have 100 pupils, and then our brass band instruments will be brought out again; our chapel choir will be re-organized; trades started on again; and everything will, we hope, with God's blessing, be moving once more "merrily as a marriage bell."

And now one more subject before I close. In addition to my other work, a very considerable part of my time has been taken up with the "Canadian Indian Research and Aid Society," of which I am secretary, and with our monthly periodical, the *Canadian Indian*, of which Mr. H. B. Small, of Ottawa, and myself are editors. I am glad to say that our society is gaining ground; we have already 266 members belonging to the society, and about 500 subscribers to the magazine. The annual meeting is to be held in Toronto some day next September, and on the following day there is to be an "Indian Conference," to which the most intelligent and best educated of the Indians from the various Indian Reserves in Ontario will be invited to come as delegates, to meet their white brethren and express their own views—from an Indian standpoint—as to the various schemes and plans which good people have been devising for their benefit. This idea of a Conference is a new one, and we believe it will create a great deal of interest and may result in much good. And now, as a friend of the Indians myself, I would earnestly appeal to all other friends of the Indians, and especially to those resident in Toronto, to try and make this "Indian Conference" a success. Let these Indian delegates, when they arrive in our fair Central City from their various distant homes, be greeted with kindness and hospitality, so that they may bear back with them a good impression, and feel that the great Brotherhood of Christianity, into which they have been received, is indeed a brotherhood which takes into its embrace all people of whatever colour or nationality.—*Rev. E. F. Wilson in Canadian Church Magazine and Mission News.*

#### A Letter from Rev. F. Frost.

MY DEAR BISHOP,—I sent a report the other day to you, but it occurred to me that you might like a fuller account of the winter's work of the mission here. The new mare answers very well, and I found her a great help in my work. I was not able to take

any journey very far from home until the ice became good, so after my last trip with the boat some time in November, I did not go far away until the first week in January, confining my work to the four stations on the island. The first trip was made to Birch Island and White Fish River and to some of the camps on Long Lake. We had interesting services among the Indians on the Reserve, and I distributed the gifts that kind ladies of the C.W.M.A. sent me. The services at the camps were appreciated. The following week I made a journey to LaCloche and Spanish River, where service was held. We had good attendance in the school-house at the Indian village on the River J. E., the teacher, seems to be getting on well. He gives a good account of the Indians; he says they are expecting the bell that you promised them. On my return journey I visited a lumber camp, about six miles back of the post, on an arm of that lake we crossed in the canoe going to the Spanish two summers ago—you remember?

The second week following, I took a trip down the Georgian Bay, calling at Killarney, where I held service and preached in Mr. Cameron's church. Next day we reached Collin's Inlet; preached in the school-house at night. There are not quite so many people there this winter—we had seventeen of a congregation, probably the whole Protestant population. I also visited a camp on Balsam Lake, about half way to Sudbury. The next day I reached the Beaverstone. It was very convenient this winter that a road was made through the woods, so that I had not to cross that piece of bad ice where "Dinah" was so unfortunate last winter. I was able to hold service and preach at several places to over a hundred people. Among others I visited the Indians at the Point; preached to them in old Kahgahgun's house.

On the Sunday the weather was very rough, yet I managed to reach three places for service, the evening service being at Collin's Inlet again. The Monday evening was spent at a place I don't know the name of, but the people were mostly French; if I remember aright there were only four English people. Yet the French attended service and gave me a new pair of moccasins as an acknowledgment. I had intended to make an effort to get part of the way home on the following day, but the weather was bad and the ice worse. On Wednesday I found an escort. We made nine miles in five hours, snow and water everywhere. We lit a fire on an island to warm ourselves, and by dint of great exertion reached Killarney in the evening. It was not until the second day following that I reached home.

Twice since then services have been held at White Fish, both among the Indians and white people. The second time I was over I stayed a week and preached every evening. Altogether, probably 250 people were enabled to hear the Gospel. The last time I stayed four days. We had a grand gathering of "noble red men" in the new church. Holy com-

munion was administered. Some from Sheguiandah, Sucker Creek, and the River were there, as well as the inhabitants of the village. The mission on the Spanish was visited again and holy communion administered. I went up as far as Mrs. Sims', who, by the way, has been very ill. We had communion together here as well.

The mission stations on the island are holding on. We had service every evening in Passion week, and three services on Good Friday, and five on Easter day, commencing with service of holy communion at seven o'clock a.m. There were about fifty communicants in all. The roads, of course, were bad. I got home at a quarter to one on Monday morning. Some of the Indians from the north shore were over to the services.

The ice is getting bad now, so I must give it up until the boat season commences.

F. FROST.

Sheguiandah, Manitoulin Island,  
Easter, 1891.

### Sault Ste. Marie Mission.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH.—On Palm Sunday the Incumbent presented 23 candidates for confirmation, 13 females and 10 males, mostly married people. In the afternoon the Incumbent drove the Bishop to Christ Church, Korah, where eight candidates were confirmed, five females and three males. The Lenten services at St. Luke's Church have been extremely well attended, especially during Holy Week. The services on Easter day were very beautiful, especially at night, as the music was full choral. There were about 90 communicants present at the early and mid-day celebrations. A very beautiful altar-cloth and dossal have been presented to the church and were used for the first time at Easter. The committee of the Indian Hon. es met at Bishophurst on Friday, March 17th. The new Shingwauk hall is completed; the upper part is to be used as a school-room, the lower as a gymnasium and drill-hall. Mr. Wilson stated that, owing to economy during the winter, he hoped to open in May with full numbers. He also said that an appropriation of \$2500 had been made by Government and placed on the estimates for the erection of the laundry, and the commencement of the new Wawanosh Home near the present Shingwauk.

### Ilfracombe Mission.

At the close of the sermon on Good Friday in Christ Church, the Rev. L. Sinclair made special reference to the conversion of the Jews, and the offertory was given for that object. The Easter vestry was held on Easter Monday at 3 p.m. Mr. C. J. E. Crump was appointed secretary and auditor *pro tempore*. Mr. C. Smith was re-elected clergyman's

warden, Mr. H. Johnson, people's warden, and Mr. E. Malkin, vestry clerk. The Rev. L. Sinclair expressed his appreciation and pleasure in the continued harmony of the congregation and the faithfulness of his officials.

HOODSTOWN.—The offertory for the Jews was taken on Easter day, and the Easter vestry was held on Easter Tuesday, at 11 a.m. Mr. H. Malkin was re-elected clergyman's warden, Mr. L. Goldthorp, people's warden, and Mr. W. Goldthorp, vestry clerk. The auditors were Capt. Widdon and Mr. William Tipper. The Rev. L. Sinclair addressed the meeting with expression of sincere thankfulness for the continued devotion of the congregation of St. Jude's Church and the unfaded loyalty of its members.

HUNTSVILLE.—The vestry of All Saints' was held on Monday evening. The attendance was moderately good. The serious illness, from grippe, of Mr. Kinton, people's warden, was sincerely regretted. The vestry clerk presented the financial statement. The income from offertories, regular and special, was \$588.91. The expenditure was \$568.69, balance in hand \$21.22; but it was shown that there was a present liability of \$70.83, which caused a deficit of \$49.61 in the working expenses of the year. The Burial Board showed \$90.15 receipts from sales of grave-plots since laying out the ground, and an expenditure of \$50 for improvements and grave digging, leaving in treasurer's hands a balance of \$40.15. The Sunday-school report showed marked progress had been made during the year, that a new Karn organ had been purchased and paid for, and that a balance of \$8 was in the treasury. The church building fund had received from all sources \$1,040.75. The committee reported 200 cords of building stone laid on the site and paid for, leaving a balance of \$355.44 in the treasurer's hands. The Church Women's Committee reported \$100 in hand to their fund for heating the church, and the Young Woman Communicants' Guild reported \$50 in hand to the window fund, making a total of \$505.44 to the credit of the church building fund, exclusive of cost of stone laid on the site. The congregation has paid in \$260.61 of its pledged \$1,000 to the church building fund; when the balance of the pledge is in hand, the rest of the material will be laid on the site, after which the problem of erecting the structure will compel us to again turn our eyes for help to the many and sympathetic friends of Algoma in the front dioceses.—*Canadian Churchman*.

RAVENSCLIFFE STATION.—On Saturday, April 4th, the Easter vestry was held in St. John the Baptist's Church, at 11 a.m. There was a large attendance, and the meeting appointed Mr. Wm. Clarke secretary *pro tempore*. The following appointments were made: Mr. Geo. Wm. Tipper, re-elected clergyman's

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warden ; Mr. Isaac Hopkins, people's warden ; and Mr. Wm. Clarke, vestry clerk. The Rev. L. Sinclair expressed his thanks to all who had held office during the past year and his appreciation of Mr. John Tipper, choirmaster and Sunday-school superintendent, also Mr. Wm Brook, organist, and he trusted that the same harmony would ever continue in the congregation as formerly. Mr. Sharp was auditor.

On Friday the 1st of May a very large congregation met in the Church of St. John the Baptist, and fifteen members of the choir were present. After the service the May Queen Festivity instituted by Rev. L. Sinclair began and was held in the school-house. The Queen and her five maids were chosen from the choir, and the festivity proved so successful that the custom is likely to be continued in future. A full account is given in the secular papers.

#### North Bay Mission.

The Ruridecanal Chapter of Parry Sound and Nipissing was held in this town on April 29th and 30th. The Rev. L. Sinclair, whose mission of Ilfracombe was formerly in the Rural Deanery of Parry Sound, was invited, but was unable to attend, chiefly on account of service to be held in St. John the Baptist's Church at Ravenscliffe on the 1st of May, followed by the May Queen festivity, instituted for the first time by the Rev. L. Sinclair in that portion of the world.

#### Port Sydney Mission.

The annual Easter vestries of this mission were held as follows :

ST. MARY'S, BEATRICE,—on Easter Monday afternoon. Present, Rev. A. H. Allman, Incumbent (presiding), and Messrs. G. O'Hara, R. Lance, W. Smith, W. Johnson, and W. Emmett. Mr. W. Johnson was elected vestry clerk, and the minutes were read, corrected and confirmed. Mr. G. O'Hara presented the accounts, and it was shown that the average offertories had increased very little, but more than formerly had been given in kind, so that a less sum was needed to pay current expenses than was the case last Easter. The retiring wardens were thanked for their services, and the vestry was urged to place sufficient funds in the hands of future wardens, that they might have less anxiety and be able to honour the congregation for supporting them in office. Mr. W. Johnson was nominated as clergyman's warden, and Mr. G. O'Hara was again re-elected people's warden. Messrs. R. Lance and W. Smith, jr., were elected sidesmen, and Mr. Lance was also re-elected auditor. A new church is sorely needed, and a bee has got out the foundation timbers, but the building will never be raised without liberal outside help, for which the Incumbent earnestly appeals.

CHRIST CHURCH, PORT SYDNEY,—on Easter Monday evening. Present, Rev. A. H. Allman (presiding), and Messrs. W. H. Thoms, C. J. Gale, W. D. Forrest, W. Ball, J. J. Lever, and J. Hutchins. In the unavoidable absence of Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Hutchins acted as auditor. Mr. W. D. Forrest again acted as vestry clerk, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The retiring wardens, Messrs. Thoms and Gale, presented their accounts, which were passed, and a vote of thanks was accorded them. The financial statement showed a balance against the vestry, but it was only one of \$10 as compared to \$23 at last Easter, and two or three offertories had been lost during the year owing to bad weather. Mr. W. H. Thoms was again nominated by the Incumbent as clergyman's warden, but Mr. C. Gale declared himself unable, though quite willing, to serve again. Mr. J. J. Lever was unanimously elected people's warden. Messrs. G. C. Butcher and W. Ball were re-elected sidesmen, and W. D. Forrest auditor. Promises of dry wood for next winter were very kindly given. Another bee has been called to shingle the driving-shed, upon which nearly \$21 has also been spent ; while a determined effort is to be made to get the church painted. More money, however, is greatly needed.

HOLY TRINITY, BRUNEL,—on Tuesday afternoon, March 31st. Present, Rev. A. H. Allman (presiding), and Messrs. D. Ferguson, W. Dodd, J. T. Gray, W. Turnbull, G. Porter, and W. H. Morgan. Mr. Gray again acted as vestry clerk, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The wardens presented their accounts, showing a balance of nearly \$10 against them, and the vestry declared its intention to make an effort at once to wipe it off. A vote of thanks was accorded the retiring wardens. Messrs. D. Ferguson and W. Turnbull were re-elected. Mr. W. H. Morgan was re-elected auditor. Mr. Gray was recommended as a suitable person for the office of Lay-reader, and the Incumbent promised to submit his name to the Bishop. The chairman, on behalf of the building committee, announced that the two contracts let for the new church last year had been completed by the contractor, and that there was a balance due to him of \$67. Lumber, California siding, and shingles had been drawn to the site, and while free labour would do much more, money must be waited for in order to employ the skilled labour absolutely necessary to enable the building to proceed. \$200 is the lowest sum required to pay debts and make the building fit for divine service.

ST. THOMAS', ULLSWATER,—on Wednesday afternoon, April 1st. Present, Rev. A. H. Allman (presiding), and Messrs. H. Creasor, W. Buckerfield, F. Richardson, G. Bunn, sr., I. Creasor, A. Brieze, W. J. Edwards, and Alex. Anderson. Mr. F. Richardson was elected vestry clerk. The minutes of the last vestry (1889) were read and confirmed, and the

accounts were passed, with a balance in hand of over \$3. Messrs. A. Anderson and W. Buckerfield were re-elected wardens, and Messrs. W. J. Edwards and H. Creasor were elected sidesmen. A subscription list was drawn up to guarantee clergyman's quota of stipend, and it was determined to proceed with the improvement of church and vestry as early as possible.

ST. JOHN'S, UFFORD,—on Saturday afternoon, April 11th. Present, Rev. A. H. Allman (presiding), and Messrs. A. Knowles, H. W. Gill, and W. Kay. The minutes were read and confirmed, and the accounts were presented and adopted. Owing to the loss of an expected subscription and two or three offertories through bad weather, there was a balance against the vestry, which the wardens hoped would soon be made up by increased effort. Messrs. A. Knowles and H. W. Gill were re-elected wardens, and the former was recommended for the office of Lay-reader. More new fencing and a driving-shed are needed, but cannot be touched without funds.

#### Uffington Mission.

ST. PAUL'S, UFFINGTON.—The teachers of St. Paul's Sunday-school gave their annual Easter treat to the scholars on Tuesday in Easter week; a most enjoyable afternoon and evening were spent, that is, if we may judge by the noise and gaiety of those assembled. One of the elder scholars, who had not only been present at every treat given at St. Paul's since the Sunday-school was established, but also at most of the entertainments given in Uffington of late years, said, "This treat is the most enjoyable of all." It is always a pleasure to the teachers to do what they can for our young friends, whether in school or elsewhere, and it would be hard to say which were the happier of the two.

During the month some work has been done upon the interior of the five rooms added to the parsonage last year, making three of them complete; two as bedrooms and the other as a bookroom. This will be a great help, not only to the household, but also indirectly to the mission at large. It will now be possible to offer hospitality to a mission worker, whose advent, we hope, will not long be delayed. The bookroom will be a great boon. Up to the present the few works contained in the library at the parsonage have been packed away wherever space could be found; occasionally much valuable time has been lost in looking for some missing volume. Now there will be sufficient space in the bookroom, not only for all we have, but also for such volumes as may be obtained from time to time.

CHRIST CHURCH, PURBROOK.—The much-needed work upon the church building naturally took a very prominent place at the Easter vestry. Mr. McMurray, of Vankoughnet, was present for the purpose of

advising the congregation as to what was really required to make the building secure, and, if we may use the word, "churchy." Upon the suggestion of the chairman, Mr. McMurray was requested to state his opinion to the vestry. Among other things, he thinks the roof should be taken off and re-erected, believing it would cost more to repair the present one, and even when done would not be satisfactory. A long conversation between those present followed, and at its end Mr. McMurray was asked to send in a tender for the skilled labour, and materials (other than lumber and glass). Should his tender prove to be satisfactory, we trust want of funds will not prevent the work being put in hand forthwith.

The churchwardens' accounts were very satisfactory. The total amount of the weekly offertory at Christ Church has increased by one-third since last year. The special offertories have also been much larger, that on Christmas Day being more than double, and on Good Friday nearly treble the amount of last year. The average attendance at the services has been substantially about the same.

Messrs. A. Crozier and T. Colson were re-appointed churchwardens; Messrs. W. Colson and W. Pain were elected sidesmen; Messrs. J. Clark and C. White to act with the clergyman and wardens on the burial board; and Mr. A. Colson was elected to fill the office of vestry clerk.

ST. STEPHEN'S, VANKOUGHNET.—This church was consecrated by the Bishop of the diocese on the 13th day of January last, which was reported in our last issue, but the description of the building was unavoidably crowded out. The church is built upon a foundation of granite, and upon this foundation, walls to the height of ten feet have been erected, from which the building is covered by a three-quarter open roof; the walls being lined and plastered inside; the roof covered in with one and a quarter inch pine and shingled. At the east end a small open sanctuary has been erected; on the south side a roomy porch; and on the north an equally roomy vestry.

Double flooring has been laid over the whole of the interior, and the walls to the height of three feet wainscotted. The windows throughout, except at the west end, are Gothic in shape; that at the west end being circular—all filled in with stained glass leaded lights, by Elliott, of Toronto, and are the gift of a friend not resident at Vankoughnet.

Entering the church by the principal entrance, the most striking thing which meets the eye is the Gothic chancel arch. The sanctuary railing is a piece of very handsome work. The frontal is of plain crimson with white orphreys, with superfrontal of the same material. The dossal is composed of crimson and violet stuff.

The work of seating and making the prayer-desk and other furniture, as well as the whole of the

skilled labour, has been carried out under the charge of Mr. McMurray, of Vankoughnet.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Saunders and her helpers have succeeded in collecting a sufficient sum, from friends residing within the station, to purchase an organ. The missionary, when in Toronto, looked out an instrument which he thought would be suitable, and on his return, finding the congregation had the money to pay for it, wrote at once for it to be sent on. We shall hope to report its safe arrival in our next.—*Uffington Mission Notes.*

### Magnettawan Mission.

The Bishop of Algoma reached Magnettawan on his annual visitation on Friday, February 27th. On Saturday, the 28th, the members of St. George's met the Bishop in St. George's Hall at 7 o'clock. After tea the Bishop in a few well-chosen words expressed the pleasure he felt at being present at such a happy gathering, and at the perfect harmony and good feeling that existed between the congregation and their minister. The gathering was the largest of the kind yet held in connection with St. George's, nearly all the members being present, and it was particularly noticeable that several were present who had on former occasions absented themselves. On Sunday, March 1st, an early start was made for Pearceley, 7 miles distant, where service had been arranged for 11 o'clock. The attendance was good and the service very hearty; three young persons were confirmed and the Holy Communion administered. The Bishop, after lunch at Mr. S. Pearce's, drove back to Magnettawan, and visited the Sunday-school and addressed the children. Divine service was held at St. George's at 6:30, the Bishop preaching; 8 young persons were confirmed. The church was crowded, and many, unable to obtain admission, had to return home. The service was very hearty, and the singing, without organ accompaniment, was very good. The Bishop left next day (Monday) for Dunchurch, taking dinner on the way at Mr. Hunter's. While at Dunchurch the Bishop was the guest, as usual, of Mr. Kelcey, whose generosity, loving kindness, and devotion to the Church are household words in Parry Sound District. The Bishop held service at Dunchurch at 7 o'clock p.m., and notwithstanding election and other attractions at the same hour there was a good congregation; 7 persons were confirmed, of whom 4 were adults. Mr. Cobb, in charge of Broadbent Mission, met the Bishop at Dunchurch and drove him to Broadbent on the following day. The Rev. A. J. Young, Magnettawan, returned home the same night.

### Aspdin Mission.

ASPDIN STATION.—The annual vestry meeting was held at 10.30 on Easter Monday. The Incumbent presided and opened the meeting with prayer, after

which the usual formal proceedings took place. The officers who served last year were all re-elected. Various motions were passed, including a hearty and unanimous vote of thanks to the Rev. W. Crompton for sending from time to time considerable sums of money to the church funds. It is only just that we should state that without his aid the highly satisfactory balance sheet would have assumed a far different appearance. We have another pleasant fact to chronicle in connection with the meeting. Mr. A. M. Leefe, on behalf of his father and himself, offered an acre off his farm for a parsonage, provided that a suitable site with water, etc., could be found. A vote of thanks was passed both to Mr. Octavius Leefe and Mr. A. M. Leefe for their kindness. Mr. Lowe then closed the meeting with the Grace.

LANCELOT STATION.—The vestry meeting was held at 7 p.m. on Easter Monday. Various changes took place in the list of officials. The chief feature of the meeting was a discussion about the finances of the church, which are not in a flourishing condition. The congregation have struggled bravely during the past year to fulfil their obligations, but it is evident that they have been assessed at a higher rate than they can afford. A meeting of the congregation is to be held shortly to decide what to do in the matter. It is unfortunate also that the insurance of the church has had to be renewed just at the time when additional expenses can least be met. Several members of the congregation are leaving the neighbourhood, which will also materially affect the revenue of the church. All things considered the congregation have done well, considering that they have also fenced the churchyard. A little timely help would encourage them, and is certainly well deserved.

STANLEYDALE STATION—A harmonious meeting was held in St. John's Church (there being no vestry) at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31st, when Mr. Lowe nominated Mr. A. H. Tyrer as his warden, and Mr. W. Tyrer was elected people's warden. St. John's is thus restored to its former position as a regular church, and is no longer a mission church, as during the past thirteen months. It is to be hoped that the auspicious start that it had at this meeting may be maintained in the future, and that before the year is over we may have a hearty and united congregation worshipping in a weather-tight and well-appointed church.

ALLANSVILLE STATION.—The vestry meeting was held on April 1st, at 3 p.m. As Mr. I. Fearon contemplates leaving the neighbourhood, he declined to continue as warden. Mr. Lowe therefore nominated M. W. Seymour, and Mr. H. K. B. Nottage was elected people's warden. The finances of the church are in a very satisfactory condition.

NEEDS OF THE MISSION.—A pocket Communion Set; two Alms-dishes; a Font Ewer; a set of coloured Stoles (for St. John's); books to form a Sunday-

school Library at Stanleydale; papers of all kinds for distribution in the Mission. Post-office orders may be made payable at either Ashworth or Allansville Post-offices.—*Aspidin Mission Notes.*

### Baysville Mission.

On the 21st April the congregation of St. Ambrose gave a Basket-social followed by a grand concert. The Church Glee Club, which made its first appearance on that day, excited much applause. In the absence of the Reeve, the chair was taken by Mr. Llwyd. By request, a repetition of the concert was given on the 23rd. During the coming winter months the Glee Club purpose holding monthly concerts for the purpose of raising funds enough to renovate the church both inside and out, which it is greatly in need of, and which can be completed, by the assistance of the congregation, for \$80. After this is accomplished, we hope to concentrate our efforts on a new chimney.

### 700 Communicants in 53 Years.

The report made to the Ontario Government on the "Basin of Moose River," by Mr. E. B. Borron, stipendary magistrate, contains some valuable information on the religious condition of the people supplied by the noble missionary Bishop of Moosonee, the Right Rev. Dr. Horden. The Moose Mission was founded in 1838 by the Methodists, but was afterwards handed over by them to the Church Missionary Society. Dr. Horden has laboured with self-sacrificing love for the welfare of the immortal souls committed to his care. The total population of the diocese is not 6,000, and there are now 700 communicants connected with the English Church Mission.—*Evangelical Churchman.*

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W. T. NOBLE.

Receipts at Synod Office, Toronto, for Algoma Diocese, for April.

*For General Fund.*—C.B., per Bishop, \$25; Rev. W. Rolfe T. Boggis, 10s.; Lindsay, \$5; Port Hope, St. John's, \$7.65; Toronto, St. James', \$16; All Saints', \$5.95; Redeemer, \$10; All Saints' Infant Class, \$13; Toronto, St. James', \$62.50; for Nepigon, Miss Burrows, \$5; Galt branch Woman's Auxiliary, \$25; Port Carling Sunday-school, \$3.66; Nepigon, St. Mary's, \$10; John Labatt, \$100; Rev. Canon and Mrs. Newman, \$10; Miss G. Milne Home, £2 and £1; Miss M. Mowbray, £2; Mrs. Almond, 10s.; Miss Almond, 10s.; Two Sisters, annual subscription, \$2; Collingwood, \$6; Lakefield, \$1.30; Port Hope, St. John's, \$4.17; Toronto, All Saints', \$15; Ascension, \$6.50; St. George's, \$3; Redeemer, \$5.50.

*For W. & O. Fund.*—Miss Parris, Ottawa, annual subscription, \$2; Toronto, Ascension, \$100; St. George's \$3.25.

*For London Society to the Jews.*—Parry Sound, \$3.01; Stanleydale, 55 cents; Launcelot, 18 cents; Allansville, 78 cents.

*For Episcopal Income.*—Diocese of Montreal, \$125; Huron, \$175; Toronto, \$250; Ontario, \$100.

*Special Purpose Fund.*—A. R. Macdonough, for Rev. R. Renison's building fund, \$14.85; G.M.H. and E.G.H., for Port Sydney, £1 10s.; Toronto, Ascension, for Port Sydney, \$21.50; Ashburnham, \$4. Collingwood, \$9.38, Cookstown Sunday-school, \$10.68, Parkdale, Epiphany Sunday-school, \$9.80, Donation, \$15; A Friend, \$10; Collingwood (for Boy), \$9.37; Holland Landing, \$10.14, for Shingwauk; Toronto, St. George's, \$37.50 and \$12.50, for Wawanosh; Omemee Sunday-school, \$10, Toronto, St. James', \$10, for Shingwauk and Wawanosh; Toronto, St. George's, \$25, for Uffington; Toronto, St. Anne's Sunday-school, \$4.25 for Indian Missions; Toronto, All Saints', \$2, for "Shuniah"; Lindsay, \$5, various branches Woman's Auxiliary, \$100, for Temiscamingue Catechist; Barrie, \$20, Toronto, Ascension, \$20, for Sudbury.

*For Episcopal Endowment Fund.*—Ottawa, St. George's Sunday-school, Easter offerings, \$28.

D. KEMP, Treasurer.

### Marriages.

PATTERSON—MOORE.—On March 10th, in Christ Church, Port Sydney, by the Rev. A. H. Allman, Mr. John Patterson to Mrs. Clara Moore, both of Beatrice, Stephenson.

FOREMAN—GALE.—On March 31st, in Christ Church, Port Sydney, by the Rev. A. H. Allman, Mr. John Foreman, of Tilsonburg, to Miss Bessie Gale, Mary Lake, Port Sydney.