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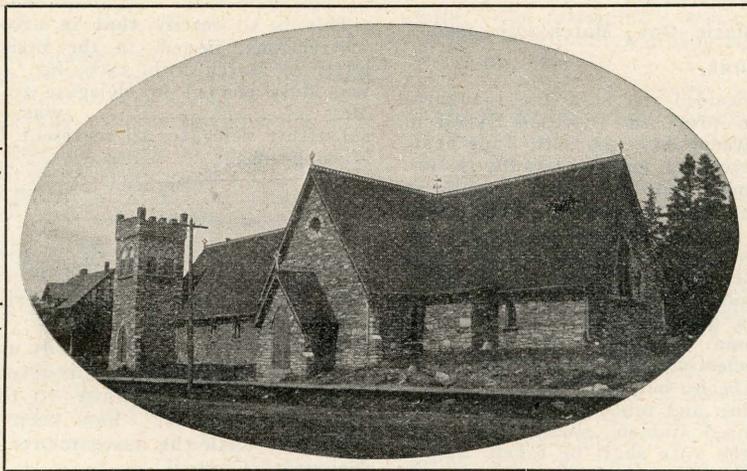
Now it is high time to
awake out of sleep.



The maketh his sun to rise
on the evil and on the good.

The Algoma Missionary News

The Official Organ of the Diocese of Algoma



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DIOCESAN SYNOD OF ALGOMA.

IMPORTANT TO EVERY CHURCHMAN
IN THE DIOCESE.

OUR readers are this month asked to note the following circular and its accompanying certificate which the Bishop has issued in connection with the coming inauguration of the Diocesan Synod.

Publicity is given to it in order that a large number of our people may be conversant with the steps being taken and therefore be the better able to fulfil all the required conditions. Besides, there is the great advantage of always taking all the faithful into the confidence of those upon whose shoulders rests the obligation of advising preliminary action.

DIOCESAN SYNOD OF ALGOMA.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., March 10th, 1906.

MY DEAR BROTHER,—

It has been decided to hold the inaugural meeting of the proposed Diocesan Synod in this town, on Wednesday, the 20th June next.

It becomes necessary for you, and you are hereby called upon and required to secure at the approaching Easter meeting of your Vestry the election of one lay-delegate to attend the said Synod as the representative of your people. Such delegate must be a male communicant of good standing, of the full age of 21 years, and a qualified Vestryman of the Diocese of Algoma.

The mode of election shall be as follows :

- (1) It shall be by ballot.
- (2) In parishes and missions where there is only one organized station, nominations shall be made, and the vote shall be taken, at the Easter Vestry meeting of that station.
- (3) In parishes and missions where there are more organized stations than one, nominations shall be made, and the vote taken, at a joint meeting of the Vestries of all the said stations, or—(where that is not desirable or possible)—the following method shall be pursued :—(I.) Nominations shall be made by each Vestry meeting at Easter. (II.) The names of the nominees shall be forthwith handed to the clergyman or catechist of the parish or mission. (III.) Adjourned Vestry meetings shall be held within two weeks after the Easter meeting in each station, at which the names of all the nominees shall be laid before the voters and balloted upon. (IV.) All ballot papers handed in at such meetings shall be at once sealed up and forwarded to the clergyman or catechist, who, having received them all, shall examine and pronounce upon them, declaring the nominee having the highest number of votes to be the lay-delegate, and the nominee having the next highest number of votes to be the substitute. (V.) In

case of an equality of votes the clergyman or catechist shall have the casting vote.

(4) The clergyman or catechist in charge of a parish or mission shall immediately after the election fill up and sign two certificates to be furnished in blank by the Diocese, and shall hand one of them to the lay-delegate, and forward the other to the Secretary of the Standing Committee, the Rev. Charles Piercy, Sault Ste. Marie West, Ontario.

(5) On reaching the Synod the lay-delegate shall at once hand his certificate to the Secretary.

Faithfully yours,
GEORGE ALGOMA.

No

(Made in Duplicate.)

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF LAY-DELEGATE
TO SYNOD.

.....1906.

This is to certify that in accordance with instructions issued in the Bishop's circular letter of March 10th, 1906, Mr. was duly elected lay-delegate to Synod, and Mr. was duly elected substitute delegate, to represent the Parish or Mission of

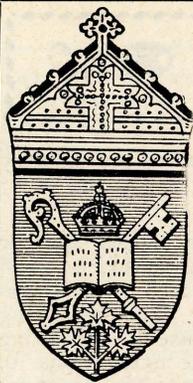
(Signed)

N. B.

A FEW notes for the vestries at the approaching Eastertide :

1. Strive to avoid any delay in having all accounts audited and presented.
2. See that the quota to the "Diocesan Expense Account," has been paid, in accordance with the assessments made by the Triennial Council.
3. In view of the approaching Synod select with due care the representative of the parish or mission, being most anxious to be represented there.
4. So expedite matters that the clergyman of the parish or mission may make his return not later than a week—at most a fortnight—after Easter.
5. Notice whether the insurance on all Church property is paid and whether a renewal is nearly due.

We often receive letters setting forth how much "The Algoma Missionary News," is valued by many of our readers, and we trust that the paper will long continue to be a source of information, and a bond of union and a means of edification to an ever greater and greater number. For the fulfilment of this hope our publication should have a larger circulation.



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GOOD FRIDAY

SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DEAD AND BURIED.

THERE is a green hill far away,
Without a city wall
Where the dear Lord was crucified,
Who died to save us all.

We may not know, we cannot tell
What pains He had to bear,
But we believe it was for us
He hung and suffer'd there.

He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good,
That we might go at last to Heav'n,
Saved by His precious Blood.

There was no other good enough
To pay the price of sin,
He only could unlock the gate
Of Heav'n, and let us in.

Oh, dearly, dearly has He loved,
And we must love Him too,
And trust in His redeeming Blood,
And try His works to do. Amen.

—Mrs. Alexander.

MORE DIOCESAN NOTES.

REV. C. E. Bishop who has ministered with much success and appreciation as locum tenens at St. Luke's, Sault Ste. Marie, is to go to North Bay early in May as the rector of that parish. We bespeak for him a hearty welcome and hard work in a growing parish.

"Bishophurst," the residence of the Bishop, is diocesan property. It has not, we think, dawned upon many in the diocese, that its maintenance—taxes, insurance and repairs are properly a charge upon the diocese.

In Algoma rural deanery there is a shortage of mite boxes supplied by the M.S.C.C.

The rural dean wrote for more, but they were not sent.

Rev. C. Piercy, Sault Ste. Marie West, has been appointed Secretary in the diocese for "The Jerusalem and the East Mission," the missionary work under the care of Bishop Blyth, the English Bishop in Jerusalem.

Mr. F. Major, whose condition was spoken of last month as that of an incurable, has taken up the duties of a teacher to an Indian children at Birch Island. His resignation to God's will, together with his desire to do what he can for God's Church and God's children, should be a stimulus to all who do not suffer (or, may be, are not blessed) with great affliction.

In the death of Mr. R. T. Walkem, K.C., D.C.L., of Kingston, Chancellor of the Diocese of Ontario, we lose a warm friend who has ever held himself at the service of Algoma when he knew how to serve it. Distinguished in his profession, not less distinguished in the Councils of the Church, we can remember him as one who did much to help frame the embryo "Constitution and Canons" drawn up ten years ago by a committee of this diocese. We may be permitted to place on his bier a token of our gratitude and to express our sympathy with our brethren in the Diocese of Ontario. R.I.P.

"A special meeting of the vestry of St. Saviour's Church, Blind River, was held on Monday evening, March 5th. It was decided to take steps towards building a parsonage and a committee was appointed to secure the necessary funds. Much enthusiasm was shown, and there is every prospect that the building will be commenced in the spring."



DIOCESAN NEWS



THE BISHOP IN MUSKOKA.

IF our readers can, in imagination, go with the Bishop on one of his visitation trips, they could see Muskoka in winter. Very beautiful is this lake country in summer time, though the roads are rough, rude and rocky. To some parts of it in the nice weather the city resident eagerly journeys for a change—for the better—in scenery and health. But in winter—the gay scene is absent—there are to be found the little towns, of course, and the population resident in the settlements which are scattered over a big area. It is pretty quiet. Perhaps our readers might think that the Bishop took this long and trying trip in the winter, because the snow levelled up the roads and made the conditions of travel more easy than in the summer time. Nor would they be far out. Still, after all, there is a beauty in the winter scenery. Let us go to a few of the missions with the Bishop, as it were. First to

PORT SYDNEY

a mission having its name from the chief station, situate on the pretty Lake Mary and about two miles from Utterson station. Here the Rev. C. Ryan is working with devotion and success. He is only in Deacons' Orders, but has had some experience in Texas. He is rallying the young people to the Church's cause and building up the choir.

At Brunel—another point in the mission—there is said to be a marked increase of interest in the Church and her services. The little church certainly looks very complete, with carpet on the chancel floor and good seats in the nave.

ASPDIN MISSION

is another of our old missions, and lies south and west of Port Sydney—some ten miles west of the lively town of Huntsville. Here the missionary, Rev. L. Sinclair, is slowly improving after a long experience of ill-health. He cannot yet resume his long tramps. His work seems to be appreciated and his people are beginning to awaken in zeal.

The church at Allansville is sadly in need of repairs. The site is a bad one. Removal of the church may be necessary. The tragic death of one of the prominent Allansville community has cast a gloom over the mission. Yet there was much to thank God for in his life and devotion. The Bishop was here on the 12th of February.

Two days later he was across the country at

[BAYSVILLE

The road to this place is neither shorter nor smoother. There is, however, a good prospect of its being connected with Bracebridge by an electric road. This will bring it into the world and in a sense it will bring the world into it. For the attractions of the Lake of Bays are great. The beautiful little Church of St. Ambrose was well filled on the bitterly cold night of the Bishop's visitation. The weather always seems cold, it is said, when the Bishop visits Baysville. Four persons were confirmed.

This is one of the few places in Algoma where there has been a fairly long pastorate. The present incumbent has been there more than a dozen years, and he is held in esteem and affection by all.

The little church at Dorset, 16 miles back from Baysville, on the extreme eastern boundary of the diocese, has been destroyed by fire. The insurance was only \$400. As much more will be needed to rebuild.

Stoneleigh is not a stirring place. Its name indicates its character. And while some make a fair living on their farms, others have grown discouraged and gone West, where there are no stones. There was a confirmation, with one candidate, in the little log church.

THE PARISH OF HUNTSVILLE

Huntsville is one of our bright spots; a growing, prosperous town of about 2,500. Here a fine stone Church Hall or Schoolroom is going up by degrees as money is forthcoming. It will match the church in style. Great credit is due to the clergyman and people for their enterprise. The Sunday of the Bishop's visitation was the 6th anniversary of the consecration of the church. The services and sermons were appropriate. Eleven persons were confirmed.

The days of the Bishop's visitation were well filled with visits to the sick and the private confirmation of aged and infirm people, and a trip 10 miles out to the Quinn's settlement or

"STONEY LONESOME"

Here, under a dripping roof, Morning Prayer was said, Holy Communion celebrated and a sermon preached in the little log schoolhouse on the summit of the tremendous hill round whose base flows the stream called significantly by the resident Irishmen, "The Boyne." It is almost pathetic in these backwood bush settlements to see the hard-handed, bronzed and toil-

worn pioneers kneeling on the rough floor to receive through the symbols of the Saviour's dying love the grace and strength of heaven.

BURK'S FALLS

On Tuesday and Wednesday, February 20th and 21st, the Bishop was found at Burk's Falls, a few miles north of the line dividing the districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound. This old mission was the point at which was held a clerical gathering—a joint rural deanery meeting—at the time of the Bishop's visitation. On the Tuesday, in all Saints' Church, Evening Prayer was said, followed by a confirmation of eight persons and a sermon. The usual engagements of a deanery meeting included a celebration of the Holy Communion and "Quiet Hour," conducted by the Bishop, followed on the evening of Wednesday by a missionary meeting.

Under Mr. Allman the mission has seen much improvement. The newly acquired parsonage is a great comfort. There is a reviving interest in parochial and missionary work. Unfortunate loss by fire has tried one of the prominent Church workers, Mr. John Edgar.

UFFINGTON

another of the older missions, and situated to the east of Gravenhurst, is a weak centre, from which people seem to be moving. The lumbering is nearly done and the farms are poor. The Bishop was there on the 22nd of February, being driven out by the Rural Dean, Rev. W. A. J. Burt. Owing to the state of the roads the journey was made partly on wheels and partly on runners. There is no incumbent—the mission is vacant. It is hard to man these places. The work is hard and not encouraging. Yet here are still souls to be won for Christ and fed with spiritual food.

VanKoughnet, an outstation on the extreme border, was visited on the 23rd. Here the Bishop received much kindness from a family not connected with the Church. They were greatly perplexed and distressed at one of the daughters of the family having become an Anglican sister. The Bishop tried to allay their apprehensions and to comfort them. Returning, a young man, who had been ill for more than a year, was visited and reminded to his great comfort of the goodness and mercy of God.

ROSSEAU

Next day, February 24th, the Bishop had a long but not unpleasant drive on wheels—this is most extraordinary in Muskoka in midwinter—from Utterson to Ullswater, where Archdeacon Gillmor met him. Next

day, despite rain, there was an excellent service when five persons were confirmed. Then came a drive over the ice of Lake Rosseau in the rain and through the water. A hearty welcome awaited the party at Mr. Harry Coats' hospitable house. In the evening there was a splendid service in the Church of the Redeemer, Rosseau, when 14 persons were presented for confirmation. There were thus 19 confirmees in this mission—a goodly number for a country district in Muskoka. Personal influence consecrated to God's service can work wonders. This truth is exemplified in the life and achievements of our Archdeacon.

The following day the lake was frozen hard and fast by a keen north wind and bitter frost, and there never was better driving than that enjoyed in the trip from

ROSSEAU TO UFFORD

—8 miles on Lake Rosseau, 2 miles scraping over bear roads on the portage and 2 miles on Three Mile Lake. Ufford is a really promising farming region, but from a Church point of view not strong. The country has been burnt over. Various forms of faith have, as usual, been advocated and pressed upon the people who are, therefore, sadly divided in view and practice. Nevertheless, the church is always full when the Bishop visits the place. This was an exception. The church is one of our poorest, small, rough within and without. It is as yet the day of small things.

Beatrice was visited on the same day as Ufford, and needs also a stronger infusion of spiritual vigour and Church life. As usual the Kays at Ufford and the Hamiltons in Beatrice extended warm hospitality. The

FALKENBURG

visitation took place next day, which was Ash Wednesday. In this service the Bishop had the benefit of the presence and assistance of the Rev. C. J. Machin. Falkenburg is a comfort. There is no opposition; no division. With one heart and one mind people here seem to worship and work for God.

PORT CARLING

was reached on Ash Wednesday for an evening service. The stage was on wheels. The journey was not a record one in the point of time; but the driver did all that was possible otherwise for his passengers. The service at Port Carling was a good one. There was a confirmation.

On the morrow the services were at Port Sandfield in the morning and

AT GREGORY

in the evening. In the latter place the Bishop dedicated a beautiful oaken lectern—the gift of the late Mr. Gregory-Allen in

memory of a daughter who died recently. The dedication was pathetic, since Mr. Gregory-Allen only lived to see his gift. His loss is a grievous one to the mission. His good works were many and live in the memories of his friends.

The Bishop was driven by the Rev. L. A. Trotter, of Port Carling, across the ice from Gregory to

FOOTE'S BAY,

where, in the Township of Freeman, Mr. Young, a lay reader, and the Rev. R. Clarke have been doing a little pioneer work in a new region. Through this part the new C.P.R. Branch and the James Bay Railway are pushing their lines. Already the latter has metals down to this point. The camps have afforded scope for present work, and much is hoped for from the natural development of the future along these lines. Freeman is still an unorganized township. In such work the

CHURCH OUGHT TO BE DOING

in many directions. It is such work the other bodies are doing on every hand.

A BRIEF SURVEY

of the field covered by the Bishop's visitations of January and February reveals general growth, chiefly at centres along the railway lines and in towns like Bracebridge, Huntsville, Burk's Falls, Parry Sound and North Bay. But in certain back country regions there is evident dwindling and decay.

Probably in the near future some may have to be grouped together under travelling missionaries.

Some may have to be closed.

ST. JOHN'S PORT ARTHUR.

THE working season of the Church at the head of the lakes is largely during the close of navigation. The summer is short and gay and autumn finds every body very busy handling grain or something else, but by Christmas time the port is sealed for the winter and work and play make fewer claims upon most people. The winter past has been a very encouraging one on the whole to workers in St. John's.

The Bishop visited the parish the week before Christmas and administered confirmation to a class of 23, who were admitted to their first communion on Christmas Day. The pretty Church looked very bright indeed in its Christmas dress and the services all through the winter have been well attended and collections good enabling the wardens to reduce the indebtedness steadily month by month.

The rector with a committee of the A.Y. P.A. arranged a course of lectures to be delivered in the parish hall on matters scientific, historical or artistic. These have been well attended and much appreciated.

The Church has lost the services of Mr. T. R. Boyce after 18 years' steady work as choir master. Mr. Boyce has not been in good health and felt entitled to a rest but his resignation was received very regretfully. Mr. H. S. H. Goodier, the efficient organist has accepted the post of choir master as well. The choir enjoyed an evening's missionary work last month, when they drove out 22 miles to Kakabeka Falls to assist the rector in a service among the hundreds of men in the construction camps of the Kam. Power Co. It was a lantern service and enjoyed by all alike.

During Lent daily services are being held, the parish room being fitted up as a chapel to save the large expense of heating the Church.

ALGOMA DEANERY.

UNFORTUNATELY we are unable to speak at first-hand of all that took place at the Rural Deanery meeting held at Richard's Landing on February 20th and 21st last, because we (the editor) were rather "under the weather." However, we may say that in company of Rev. C. E. Bishop we left Sault Ste. Marie at noon on the 20th, duly arriving at Desbarats about an hour later. Expecting to get away over the road and ice (11 miles) at once, we met with a surprise. There were only two of us. The teamster said he expected more and refused to go unless we were willing to pay double fare. A certain inborn prejudice at being "done," caused the two clerics to elect to await the departure of the stage after the train from the east—a not comfortable wait of four hours. At length the start was made, some of our friends from the east being in our teamster's sleigh and others in the mail-stage-sleigh. Mile after mile we jogged along one after the other until well on to the ice. Then some one said to the mail driver, "Let's pass the other fellow." The spirit of sport for a race came on top and "we" passed him. But—there was water on the ice and the horses cast it up behind them, we thought, by the bucketfull. At length we all arrived on terra firma to find a hearty welcome from the people at Richard's Landing. And here, before we describe the proceedings briefly, let us say that all the clergy, and there were ten of us, united in their expression of gratitude

to our hosts in Rev. Mr. Bean's Mission. Some renewed old associations and talked of days gone by; others made new friends. There were ten clergy present; viz., Revs. A. J. Young, (R.D.), F. Frost, T. J. Hay, M. O. Smith, B. Bean, F. H. Hincks, E. P. S. Spencer, P. W. P. Calhoun, C. E. Bishop and C. Piercy.

Evensong was said in the Church of the Redeemer and a sermon preached by Rev. C. Piercy. Next morning at 8 o'clock there was a celebration of Holy Communion. The remainder of the day was filled with the business of the deanery and a missionary meeting. The Greek Testament subject was ably and philosophically handled by Rev. M. O. Smith, who was heartily thanked for his lecture. "Dr. Luke of the Labrador"—a literary subject—was in good hands when in those of Rev. F. H. Hincks, who interested his hearers in the book and its subject. Besides, there was the advantage of the criticism of Rev. C. E. Bishop, who had spent a couple of years ministering to the simple people on the inhospitable coast referred to. The Rural Dean read a short paper on the Religion of the Assyrians and Babylonians. Then came "Moral Reform" by Rev. C. E. Bishop, who is an enthusiastic advocate of "Temperance." Upon this topic there was more discussion and some difference of opinion. The presence of the Church public during the afternoon tended towards "speaking to the gallery."

The missionary meeting was a pronounced success. So much so that one wonders if the obstacles of distance and cost to the missionaries in the diocese could not be overcome and a regular system of missionary meetings held throughout the deanery. The writer and his confrere had to get away early next morning and were therefore unable to see their brethren who had from two to three hours' advantage of them in their stay on St. Joseph's Island. Having heard nothing to the contrary, it is assumed all reached their respective homes in safety.

Such meetings are times of refreshment to all who partake in them.

BRACEBRIDGE.

THE Bishop of the diocese visited this parish on the 1st Sunday in Lent, March 4th. The services were well attended and were of a special and hearty character. Morning Prayer was said by the rector at 10 a.m. At 11 a.m. the Bishop officiated in the offices of Holy Confirmation and Holy Communion, assisted by the rector, who presented a class of nine for the apostolic rite of Laying-on-of-

hands. The whole class made their first Communion, kneeling together at the sanctuary rail, after Confirmation. The Bishop's sermon at the 11 o'clock service was a very impressive and appropriate treatment of the opening words of the Epistle for the day. In the afternoon the Bishop visited the Sunday School and delivered a brief address, full of good advice to the teachers and children and in which he expressed great pleasure in meeting so many children of the congregation. At the evening service the church was packed with an attentive congregation which joined heartily in the service. At this service the Bishop delivered an eloquent and appropriate sermon on the great surrender and self-sacrifice of Jesus Christ. He pointed out the fact that if we admit that Christ was the great Exemplar then we must imitate Him in surrendering ourselves as willing sacrifices, saying as Jesus did "Not as I will, but as Thou wilt."

The rector is delivering a lecture on Church History every Tuesday evening during Lent, in the parish hall. A cordial invitation is extended to all interested to be present and listen to the history of the Church of England from the time it was known as the Church of Britain, about the time of St. Paul's imprisonment, down to the present day.

DIOCESAN NOTES.

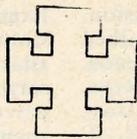
OUR priest-in-charge of the parish of Fort William, Rev. E. J. Harper, has had a most strenuous time of late, on account of an outbreak of typhoid fever in the town. It was an epidemic. Consequently he has had to work at very high pressure. It is in such circumstances that the eager minister finds out the limitations of physical strength.

If our winter has been a comparatively mild season, we have seen something in the nature of compensation. The month of March has been cold, its latter days reminding us of the saying about winter dallying in the lap of spring.

Our Church people in Algoma will, it is hoped, show by a large offering on Good Friday, their love for the Jews—our Blessed Lord's own people according to the flesh—whom the Church is trying to Christianize. Under Bishop Blyth, the Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem, a great work on Church lines and under episcopal control is being carried on with a success that augurs greater things in the future.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

ONE BODY



IN CHRIST

THE W. A. Board met at "Bishop-hurst" on Feb. 20th. A letter was read from the Secretary at Haileybury asking that the conference this year for Algoma and Nipissing should be held at that place. This invitation was accepted by the Board and Mrs. Thorneloe will if possible preside at the meeting, the date of which must depend upon the Bishop's movements.

Not much business was transacted, some of the members being unavoidably absent. With the fresh year, Mrs. Kinnear, of Sault Ste. Marie, will commence her duties as Leaflet Editor for our Diocese, being elected to that office by the Executive. Mrs. Kinnear's past experience as a member of the Huron Board will be valuable to her companions in the work.

The following extracts are from a letter received from Miss Ethel Spencer, W. A. Missionary in Japan. Our readers will be especially interested in this young lady as she is a sister of one of our own missionaries. After writing of her visit to Matsumoto, Miss Spencer says:—

S. Hilda's Mission,
Tokyo, Japan,
January 12th, 1906.

My dear Mrs. Hall.

Although it is rather late, I hope you will accept my good wishes for the New Year. I had intended writing sooner but as I expected to go to Nagona for the Christmas vacation, I waited until I could tell you something of my future field of labour. When Miss Archer and I reached Yokohama we were met by the Rev. Mr. Austin who works there among the seamen. He was most kind in looking after the transfer of our luggage for us and took us ashore in the mission launch. Dr. and Mrs. Taylor also came ashore with us, so we spent a few hours sight-seeing with them, afterwards all having lunch together. As Mrs. Awdry was in Yokohama that day, which was the 14th of November, she took Miss Archer and me up to Tokyo with her, and gave us a very warm welcome to her home, and such a delightful, homelike place it is. That evening we went to the Japanese Evensong at St. Andrew's Church, which is close to the Bishop's house. After the service I met Mr. Shortt, Mr. Mockridge and several others of the clergy, among them the Japanese priest in charge,

and they all gave me a very warm welcome to Japan. And the beautiful little Church, so like the one I had left at home; what a calm restful feeling it gave one after the long journey. Though the service was in a foreign tongue, it was after all the same in spirit, and I was able to join in the dear familiar hymns, having been provided with a Nomagi hymn book. The first few days were spent most delightfully in sight-seeing and then I started my school-life, for it had been decided before my arrival that I should study the language in Tokyo for six months. So I am attending a school for foreigners, where there are a good many other missionaries studying. We have an excellent teacher who makes his classes very interesting. After spending two very happy weeks at the Bishop's, I came to live at S. Hilda's Home, where I find the regular life and daily services very helpful. St. Andrew's Church and the Cathedral are about ten minutes walk from here. The Japanese Sunday services are usually at the Cathedral, and the English services at St. Andrews, so I try to attend services in both languages, but it is such a blessing to be able to hear English services sometimes. At Christmas time both churches and the chapel here were beautifully decorated, and the Japanese services very bright and hearty. The girls from S. Hilda's who make up the greater part of the Cathedral choir, sang very sweetly the anthems and carols which they had been practising under Mr. Mockridge's instructions. Now that he has been transferred to Korea he will be very much missed. Christmas Day itself dawned warm and bright, an almost tropical breeze blew, and people appeared in quite out of season attire. But a few days later, we paid up for it, when upon a cold wet day, we felt the shock of an earthquake, the first since my arrival. There have been several more, the worst, one about a week ago, came at dead of night, and was really quite enough to disturb the soundest sleeper. On the evening of the day after Christmas, a Christmas party was given at S. Hilda's for the compound, the clergy of St. Andrew's being also invited. Every one joined with the girls in playing games, dancing Sir Roger de Coverley and the Swedish dance, and finally in the Christmas tree, for there was something for every one.

(To be continued.)

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

THE monthly report of the S.P.C.K. among other we see that three grants were made to churches in the Diocese of Rupert's Land, viz.:—Rossburn (£40), Solsgirth (£40), Holmfield (£40). The Bishop of Mackenzie River gets £40 for a student in Wyclife College, Toronto, grants of books for personal use are made to clergy in the Dioceses of Toronto, Huron and Qu'Appelle and to parishes in the Dioceses of Niagara, Huron, Ontario and Saskatchewan.

Quite a strong feeling of resentment has been stirred up by the renunciation of her faith by Princess Ena on her betrothal to the King of Spain. It is a pitiable affair. In reply to a correspondent of the Times the Bishop of London writes that those whose duty it was had not shirked the responsibility of protesting against what seemed to be a "conversion by order."

The Dean of Arches has given judgment against the Rev. R. C. Fillingham for presiding at an ordination and a communion service in a dissenting church. In default of apology the vicar will be deprived of his position. An apology has since been made and a sentence of two years' suspension imposed.

"Church Work" comes to us this month in a new form. Its face and style is so much improved that one can but wish it a very liberal support from Churchmen in the East, especially in Nova Scotia, in which province it is printed. We have yet to see the bold venture that essays to supply a Church journal for the Church in Canada as a whole. We ought to have it.

It is asserted that the Bishop of Nova Scotia is shortly to appoint two new archdeacons in his diocese.

The Very Rev. Dean. Smith was seized with a fit of apoplexy while reading the lessons at Evensong in St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, on March 13th and after some ten days' lingering, passed away. He was much loved and esteemed in the Granite City, as well as by all who knew him.

Sympathy is extended from all quarters to Bishop Reeves, of Mackenzie River, whose wife was thrown out of a conveyance, sustaining injuries resulting in her death.

In the will of the late Very Rev. Dean Norman, Quebec, which has just been probated, the following bequests have been made amongst others as follows:—St. James' Church, Montreal, \$100; Christ Church Cathedral, \$100; St. Mathias' Church, \$100; Finlay Asylum, Quebec, \$500; Male Orphanage, Quebec, \$300; Female Orphanage, Quebec, \$200; Quebec Church Society, \$500; Boys' and Girls' Schools of Montreal and Quebec, (4), \$150 each, and other local charities in Quebec, in all \$3,200.

The exodus of people from Ontario to the Northwest should be a strong incentive to Church people to give liberally to the funds required to minister to our brethren there.

An oak reredos, to cost \$1,750, is to be erected to the memory of the late Archbishop Lewis in St. George's Cathedral, Kingston.

A movement is on foot to remove Trinity College, Toronto, from its present location to Queen's Park, near University College. It is devoutly to be hoped that such a design will be frustrated by the graduates and friends of Trinity.

All Anglicans in Canada will be glad to learn that the health of Ven. Archdeacon Langtry is decidedly better.

Rev. C. E. Sharp, M.A., of Esquimaux, B. C., is expected this month to begin his duties as curate of St. Thomas' Church, Toronto.

The Board of Missions meets in Toronto on April 26th.

The undergraduates of Oxford University have presented a pastoral staff to the Bishop of London. Accompanying the gift was a book containing 400 signatures of the subscribers, together with a cheque for the balance of the subscriptions, made out to the East London Church Fund.

The voluntary offerings of the Church of England for the year ending Easter, 1905, reached the sum of £8,029,713—over \$40,000,000. This statement takes no account of contributions to societies supported by the co-operation of churchmen and non-conformists.

CHURCH HISTORY NOTES

EARLY CELTIC MISSIONARIES.

CEL TIC Christianity had the three orders of the ministry. St. Patrick says, "I had for my father Calpornius, a deacon, who had been the son of Potitus, a presbyter." He tells us that he was ordained deacon, and afterwards when about to go as a missionary to Ireland he was consecrated bishop. Adamnan calls him "the holy bishop Patrick." Schaff says, "Patrick, regarding himself as the chief bishop of the whole Irish people, planted a Church wherever he made a few converts, and could obtain a grant from a chief of a clan, and placed a bishop ordained by himself over it." There was one remarkable peculiarity of Celtic Christianity due to the political and social condition of the people. The Irish had no cities and no municipal institutions. They were divided into septs or clans, connected by kinship and loosely held together by an ill-regulated system of tribal government under a chief whose will was practically law. The missionaries knowing that they could accomplish nothing against the will of the chief, and that, if they could convert him, his clan would follow his example in religious matters as they did in everything else, endeavoured first to win him over to the faith. When they succeeded the chief usually bestowed his dun, or fortified residence, with the surrounding village, inhabited by his retainers, upon the Church, and at the same time transferred for the use of the Church all his rights as a Chief which however still remained with the clan. He himself either retired leaving his rights with the founder of the religious community or remained as the spiritual head of the new society. Thus the religious system of Irish Celtic Christianity was organized on the same plan as the lay society. The head of the new clan or family might be a bishop, a presbyter or a layman, but he exercised the same jurisdiction that the chief had formerly enjoyed, even the bishops—and sometimes there were several bishops in the same great religious house—being subject to him. There was simply a transfer of the pagan system of tribal rule, to the Christian monastery. But the superiority of episcopal Orders was always recognized, and the presbyter-abbot never usurped the spiritual functions of a bishop.

Columba was an Irishman, trained in the great monasteries of Moville and Clonard in Ireland and he naturally modeled his monastery after the pattern to which he was accustomed. I quote the words of the late Dr. Littledale: "It remains only to

say in this connection that the discipline of Iona, apparently borrowed from Irish use, made the Abbot supreme, not merely over his monks, as in other rules but over bishops also, whose office was simply that of ordaining such as were to be promoted to holy orders; they had no territorial jurisdiction as rulers, because the monastery, not the diocese, was the primary local unit in Celtic Christianity, and thus a great founder or abbot was of more account and power than a bishop." "The Church establishment of Columba at Iona," says Schaff, "belongs to the second or monastic period of the Irish Church, of which it formed an integral part. It consisted of one hundred and fifty persons under the monastic rule. At the head of it stood a presbyter-abbot, who ruled over the whole province, and even the bishops, although the episcopal function of ordination was recognized." Adamnan tells us that Columba served as deacon in Ireland under Bishop Finnian, and afterwards ruled as presbyter-abbot in Iona. The following extract from Adamnan's Life of Columba is interesting:

"Of Cronan a Bishop.—At another time, a certain stranger came to the Saint from the province of the Munster-men, and in his humility disguised himself as much as he could, that no one might know he was a bishop, but yet this could not be hidden from the saint. For on one Lord's Day, being requested by the Saint to prepare Christ's Body according to custom, he calls the Saint to him, that they may break the Lord's Bread together, as two presbyters. The Saint thereupon goes up to the altar, and, suddenly looking on his face, thus addresses him: 'Christ bless thee, brother; break this bread alone, by the episcopal rite; now we know that thou art a bishop. Wherefore hast thou thus far tried to disguise thyself, so that the veneration due to thee was not rendered unto thee by us?'"

Adamnan shows that Columba recognized the three orders of the ministry, that in the Celtic Church a deacon could not celebrate the Holy Eucharist, but could minister to those who did, that bishops and priests could celebrate, but that, while two presbyters might join with each other in the holy rite it was not usual for a presbyter to assist a bishop in the celebration, that none but bishops could ordain, and that Columba considered the highest honour and reverence was due from him to the episcopal order as being higher than his own.

Yours,
PRESBUTEROS.

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THE BISHOP'S APPOINTMENTS FOR APRIL.

1. 5th Sunday in Lent—St. Luke's Pro. Cathedral, morning; St. John's, evening.
2. Mon.—Sault Ste. Marie.
3. Tue.—“
4. Wed.—“
5. Thu.—St. Luke's Pro. Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie.
6. Fri.—Sault Ste. Marie.
7. Sat.—“
8. 6th Sunday in Lent—Confirmation, St. Luke's Pro. Cathedral.
9. Monday before Easter—St. John's, evening.
10. Tuesday before Easter—“ “
11. Wednesday before Easter—“ “
12. Thursday before Easter—“ “
13. Good Friday—Three hours, St. Luke's; St. John's, evening.
14. Easter Even—
15. Easter Day—St. Luke's Pro. Cathedral; Bishop Fanquier Chapel, afternoon.
16. Monday in Easter Week—
17. Tuesday in Easter Week—Train eastwards.
18. Wed.—Attend meeting of the House of Bishops in Montreal.
19. Thu.—
20. Fri.—
21. Sat.—
22. 1st Sunday after Easter—
23. Mon.—
24. Tue.—
25. Wed.—St. Mark, Evangelist and Martyr.
26. Thu.—Attend meeting of the Board of Missions in Toronto.
27. Fri.—
28. Sat.—Train to Ottawa.
29. 2nd Sunday after Lent—Ottawa, preach for M.S.C.C., morning and evening.
30. Mon.—Train westwards.

PORT CARLING.

THE Bishop of the diocese visited the Mission of Port Carling on Ash Wednesday and following days. A large congregation joined in saying Evening Prayer in St. James' Church and attentively listened to the Bishop's earnest words. Three candidates were presented for Confirmation and received the Apostolic rite and blessing.

On Thursday morning, accompanied by the Incumbent, Rev. L. A. Trotter, the Bishop proceeded to Sandfield for Matins and Holy Communion. Some of the prominent Church people here are absent this winter, but all who could were present, the local public school being closed to allow teacher and scholars to attend. That his Lordship's address was appreciated was shown by some from Sandfield being present again at the next station, Gregory. After dinner at Sandfield the Bishop proceeded up Lake Rosseau to the house of Mr. M. Woods, J.P., where tea was in order.

At Evensong in Christ Church, Gregory, the Bishop dedicated to the service of God and in memory of Mary Louisa (Memie) Gregory-Allen, a beautiful oak eagle lectern. A pathetic interest was attached to it in the fact that it was first used at the burial service of the donor, her father, William Gregory-Allen, of Maes Fron, Wales, G.B. and Gregory, Ont. In his dedicatory address the Bishop gave an apt and felicitous appreciation of the work for God and devotion to his Church of this latter servant of Christ but lately called to the peace of Paradise. On Friday morning the Bishop proceeded across the ice of Lake Joseph, drawn by the incumbent's speedy little horse Jessie, threading a way between summer island homes, deserted at this season, to the unorganized district about Foote's Bay and to the house of the Rev. Mr. Clarke, who hospitably entertained the party.

Mr. J. Gilmour, Talon P. O., Ont., is desirous of obtaining a housekeeper, who will have the care of two children of school age. She must be a member of the Church of England.

The annual meeting of the Diocesan W.A. will be held on Easter, Tuesday.

The Rev. Wilson Carlisle, founder and chief of the Church army, has not only been recognized for his works' sake by the King, but the Bishop of London has presented him to a prebend's stall in St. Paul's Cathedral.

MISSIONS TO JEWS IN THE BIBLE LANDS.

IN a letter dated at Jerusalem, on the Epiphany, 1906, the Bishop in Jerusalem, writing about the work so dear to him, says:—

I am glad to tell you that last year, ending June 30th, 1905, the "Jerusalem and the East Mission" recorded the largest income which we have had on the General Fund Account; and I sincerely thank all those who have so kindly responded to my annual appeals. At the same time I am left £1,200 below the expenditure which was necessary. The work increases more rapidly than the income. In naming to you the increase which is so satisfactory, as an illustration of the growth of sympathy and effort in our behalf, I must put before you the call of work, and ask you not to slacken, but to strengthen your support. You cannot but notice how the national spirit amongst the Jews is growing, and you may gather that new openings must arise amongst them, for influence such as a communion like ours offer of her Christian goodwill and "mercy." Should any great leader arise amongst them, as so often has been the case in their past history, their movements will be rapid, and any apathy of the Church towards them a deplorable wrong. This is the day of preparation for help; no Church, and no nation, has at present the opportunity with the Jews which we have; socially and politically, we are their friends, religiously we ought also to be.

We could not at present ask the question "When saw we Thee" needing our ministration, "and did not minister to Thee"? The Church is not in earnest about the Jewish question, and our Lord, still the first Missionary on His own Mission Field, does call for our help. I think that where the clergy do represent this need to their congregations, they do not fail to respond. I am your representative Bishop here, and I earnestly ask for your good offices with your people.

The best year of our income on record shows that the whole Anglican Communion has contributed £6,200 to the Mission work in my hands. I thankfully acknowledge the increase of help and sympathy; but I feel that neither I nor you who so sympathise, can say that it is enough! The call for prompt aid is at the door; I ask you to do your best to answer it faithfully.

I have only specified the urgency of Jewish work; the other sons of Abraham (Ish-

mael and Esau), the Arabs, are open to as much as we can possibly do for them.

At Easter, if it has not been already paid, the several mission and parishes in the diocese are reminded of the assessment due for diocesan expenses.

Last Good Friday the Church in Algoma gave \$77.45 to Bishop Blyth's work in Jerusalem and the East. Not much, is it?

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Receipts by Diocesan Treasurer to 15th March, 1906:—

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Algoma Mills, \$3.35; Port Arthur, \$5.26; Gravenhurst, \$3.63; Huntsville, \$8.80.

M. S. C. C.

Mrs. Johns, Gravenhurst, 50 cents.

BISHOP SULLIVAN MEM. S. S. FUND

R. Kimber Johns, Gravenhurst, \$2.00.

MISSIONARY APPORTIONMENT

Richard's Landing, \$4.40; Seguin Falls, add'l., 15 cents.

ALGOMA MISSIONS

Gravenhurst, 30 cents; St. Luke's Pro. Cathedral, \$6.25; New Liskeard, \$2.70; Little Current, \$2.25; Sucker Creek, \$1.40; Huntsville, \$1.30; Jocelyn, \$1.19; Brunel, 58 cents.

GENERAL FUND

Rev. A. J. Doull, \$50.00; Ontario W. A., per Miss Carter, \$25.00; Huron W. A., per Miss Carter, \$65.00; F. H. Keefer, thank-offering, \$20.00; J. Elliott, thank-offering, \$25.00.

SUPERANNUATION FUND

Mrs. Wm. Laxton, Burk's Falls, a thank-offering, \$5.00.

SPECIAL PURPOSES

Seguin Parsonage, rent of lot, \$11.67.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Newholm, \$3.32; Port Sydney, \$2.63; Aspdin, \$1.91; Allansville, \$1.83; Baysville, \$2.21; Stoneleigh, \$1.33; Guinns, 64 cents; Burk's Falls, \$5.26; South River, 70 cents; Purbrook, 65 cents; Uffington, \$1.60; Ullswater, \$2.82; Rosseau, \$5.46; Cardwell, \$1.05; Ufford, \$3.23; Beatrice, \$2.05; Falkenberg, \$2.08; Port Carling, \$3.41; Port Sandfield, 90 cents; Gregory, \$1.54; Bracebridge, \$6.15; Huntsville, \$4.46; Huntsville assessment, \$15.00.

INDIAN HOMES

S.P.C.K., for Scholarships, \$483.70; S.P.G., for Scholarships, \$26.70; Ottawa W. A., Babies' Branch, \$18.55, per Miss Carter; Ottawa W. A., Children's Branch, \$10.00, per Miss Carter.

DIOCESAN FUND

English Association, November sale, \$207.84.

CHURCH AND PARSONAGE FUND

English Association, November sale, \$350.00.