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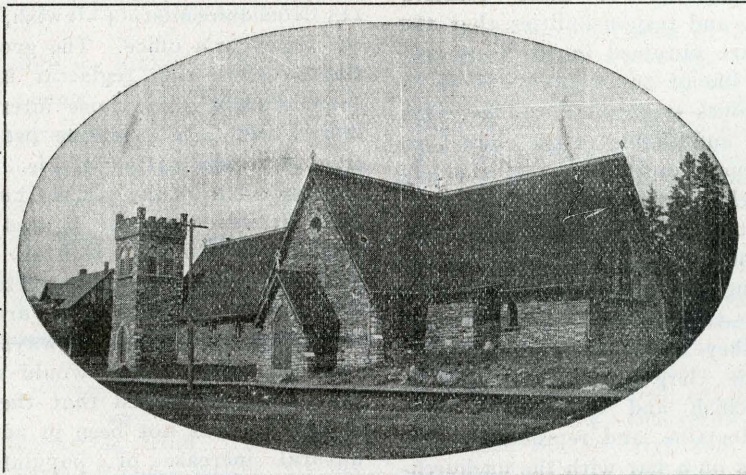
Now it is high time to
awake out of sleep.



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

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BISHOP AND PARISH.

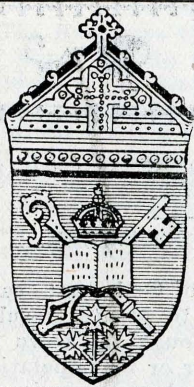
THE true conception of the relation of the Bishop to the parish cannot be rightly appreciated without duly regarding the relation of the Bishop to his diocese. It is the duty of the Bishop on submitting a nominee for a vacant rectorship not only to consider the special needs of the parish concerned, but the just claims of his clergy as well. As it is also the duty of the parishioners for whom the appointment is to be made to realize their loyalty to their Bishop and his obligation to the diocesan clergy. It is through a harmonious blending of these relative rights, duties, and responsibilities that the best results are obtained in the temporal and spiritual life of our Church. When a parish determines—regardless of the wish of the Bishop and claims of the clergy, to compel the appointment of a rector solely of their own choice, that parish is subverting the traditions of the Church and obstructing in their stead a species of unauthorized congregationalism. The plea for such a step is—that as the parishioners pay the stipend—they therefore have the right to select their clergyman. This plea is thoroughly selfish and unspiritual, alike unsound in doctrine and reprehensible in practice. It is on a par with the unchurch-like practice of inviting a number of clergymen successively to preach trial sermons in order that the most eloquent preacher might be chosen to fill the vacancy. No sound layman could sanction such a course, and no sound Churchman would respond to such an invitation. Such worldly practices are utterly unworthy of a Church that is in the world, but not of it. In proportion as the Church ceases to be spiritual and scriptural, it loses its power for good and becomes a mere worldly institution. As the Lord turned the money-changers out of the temple, so His spiritually minded followers should purge His House of Prayer from the degrading influence of the world-

ling's money power.—From the Canadian Churchman. April 7.

ROMANISM NOT ADVANCING IN ENGLAND.

THE Church of England Year Book publishes the official figures dealing with marriages solemnized in 1908. In that year, of every thousand marriages, 616 were solemnized in the Church of England, 41 in the Roman Catholic Church, and 132 in other Christian Churches; 6.6 were Jewish marriages, and 204 took place in registrars' offices. In 1890 the number were 701 Church marriages, 43 Roman Catholic, 115 Nonconformist, 4 Jewish, and 137 in the registrar's office. The growth of marriages before the registrar is a serious consideration for those interested in religion, and is a striking proof of the increased secularization of life. The London correspondent of the "Irish Church Gazette" calls attention to the figures for Roman Catholic marriages, which are especially interesting when the many statements as to the growth of Romanism are considered. Roman Catholics are always married in their churches, and it would appear from the statistics quoted that the growth of Romanism has not been in advance of the natural increase of population. These figures are official, and are in no way influenced by religious prejudices, and it is folly to contend that Romanism is stronger here than it was in the past. Its machinery has increased but its numbers have not grown.

Without an opposing vote the Canterbury House of Laymen adopted a resolution relating to the Church's standpoint in the matter of the Deceased Wife's Sister's Bill and the judgment in the Bannister-Thompson case. The motion is in the following terms:—That this House desires to record its protest against any assumption that the State can by Parliamentary legislation dictate the terms of admission to Holy Communion in the Church of England.



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FUGITIVE NOTES.

DEATH OF KING EDWARD VII.

JUST before we make up the paper the news comes: "The King is dead."

The sentence is uttered in the hushed tones of surprise and sorrow. Our heads bow, the tear starts, the step lags. We await another issue to say more.

Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest,
And let light perpetual shine upon him.

"THE MITE."

THE following is from "The Mission Field":—A friend writes to us:

"To-day I was visiting the poorest woman in this parish—a pauper—who had been reading about missions. She went to a drawer and produced the money (which I enclose, £1 6s.), which she had been saving at 2d. a week for a long time, and begged me to see that it went to Missions. I was neither to divulge her name, nor tell her what I had done with the money. It is such a holy, humble gift that I wanted to pass it on the first moment I could. She is to have a missionary box in future."

A wonderful response has been made throughout Australia to the appeal from the Bishops for £5,000 to set the finances of the Australian Board of Missions on a firm basis, and it seems as if twice the sum asked for will be given.

Bishop Barry, Canon of Windsor, died in his sleep a few weeks ago. He was in his 85th year, and at one time was Primate of Australia. He was a prolific writer on theological and educational subjects. In 1882 he published a commentary on the Prayer Book for teachers and students—a useful manual which has had a large circulation.

It is with a feeling of profound thankfulness that we hear of the end of the dispute between the followers of the late Bishop Colenso and the members of the Church of South Africa in Natal, which has lasted for over forty years. One result of this dispute has been that a large sum of money belonging to the Church has been lying idle. By the Act which has just passed the Natal Parliament, this money will now be available for the support of work both amongst Europeans and amongst the native populations in the Diocese.

Dr. Martyn, an Indian doctor, who has studied medicine both in India and in England, and was for some time a professor at St. Stephen's College, Delhi, is starting medical missionary work under the direction of the Bishop of Madras at the great Srirungam temple near Trichinopoly, South India. The temple area is so large that twenty thousand people are believed to live within it. It is one of the oldest and most visited temples in India. To this peculiarly difficult work Dr. Martyn is devoting his life.

DIOCESAN NEWS

DEPOT HARBOUR.

AT the annual Vestry meeting there was a good attendance, and the reports presented showed that the mission was in a good and encouraging condition. All liabilities had been met and there remained a small balance in the treasury. The offerings at Easter were over \$60, and there were 22 communicants. The Sunday School and the W.A. made a good showing. The latter had materially helped the Churchwardens as well as missions in the North-west. Steps were taken looking to the placing of a furnace in the church before another winter comes. The officers for the current year are: Messrs. A. F. Butterworth and J. Nolan, churchwardens; Messrs. Code, Walker, Simonds, Maxwell, Hartley, and Adams, sidesmen. At Depot Harbour it would seem that congratulations were due on all hands.

SUDBURY.

AT the annual vestry meeting of the Church of the Epiphany, the attendance was small, the only lady present was the rector's wife, Mrs. Boydell. Satisfactory reports came from the W. A., Sunday School and the Junior W.A. The W.A. had made during the year over \$300 and given \$500 to the building fund. The wardens reported receipts of \$2,051, and a balance on hand, all debts being paid, of \$56. The building fund had been added to during the year by \$970, and stands at \$1,249. The rector named Mr. W. H. Dorsett as his warden, and the people re-elected Mr. Jas. Purvis. Mr. Bert Dorsett was re-elected vestry clerk. The rector named Mr. Bert Dorsett and Mr. Bert Trevelyan as his sidesmen, and the vestry elected Messrs. G. A. Montgomery and Thos. Peacock as theirs. A special committee, (Messrs. Evans, Arthur Leman, W. J. Montgomery, Purvis, R. Dorsett, W. H. Dorsett, Leckie and Stull, with the rector), are to decide whether building operations will be undertaken this year. The parish has no debt and has been self-supporting for years. Last year's money for missions totalled \$266. The cash on hand in all

branches of the parish is \$1,715, nearly all intended for the new church.

ALL SAINTS', HUNTSVILLE.

SUCH is the grace of God that each Easter witnesses to greater results in this parish, though the town itself is not growing larger or its population increasing. This Easter the communicants numbered one hundred and twenty-six, and seventy-one of these chose the early service to assemble and greet their risen Lord in the Holy Communion. Most satisfactory and most creditable, when the ability of the parishioners is considered, were the offerings during the day, which totalled two hundred and sixty-five dollars. Of this sum one hundred and forty-seven represented the self-denial savings of the people during Lent, and twenty-seven represented the offerings of the children in their mite-boxes for missions. This exceedingly happy Easter with its large congregations, many communicants, splendid offerings, came as the outcome of a well-observed Lent. The service of Holy Week especially, and those of course on Good Friday, when the Rev. Canon Burt assisted and preached at the evening service, were well attended throughout. To clergyman and people there has come much joy and encouragement and readiness, it is trusted, for higher endeavor and greater success in the common world of our one Lord.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

AT the March meeting of the Executive Committee one of the auditors, Mr. P. H. B. Dawson, C.A., was present, and before the regular business was proceeded with, addressed the Committee concerning methods of checking the accounts and made valuable suggestions in connection with the transaction of the business of the diocese. A brief discussion followed, in which it was evident that the Committee was most interested in the matter. The Bishop, on behalf of the Committee, thanked Mr. Dawson for his valuable counsel and for his presence to put his suggestions before them.

The Executive Committee at its meeting in March had to face serious, not to say unpleasant, problems, when it made its annual revision of grants to missionaries from the Mission Fund. Last year we came out with a deficit that is serious. The money is always all spent and a little more. A surplus there could not be with so many calls for help. But on this occasion the overdraft was so large that the Committee felt that their duty was so to act that it should not be increased. Increase it they dared not. The only course open was one of retrenchment. That means the reduction of grants and the screwing up of local quotas to stipends from some missions. It is hoped that the people will rise to the occasion. Yet it is feared that in some cases they will not. We had almost written cannot. For there has been a steady upward movement for years in all places capable of increase. It was a sorry task for the Committee, especially when they viewed the fact that living has so enormously increased in cost and the missionary's stipend remained stationary. Missionaries in priests' orders are in receipt of an average stipend of \$675.

A loan from the Algoma Divinity Students' Fund has been made to Mr. A. G. D. Longmore of \$150 per annum for three years.

The Executive Committee has under consideration a by-law which proposes to set forth the conditions upon which grants to missions from the Mission Fund shall be subject. Its aim is to promote more careful attention on the part of missions to the Canons of the diocese and regulations of the Synod.

At the April meeting quite a lot of business came before the Committee. Some of it we publish in our columns.

In response to some letters from missions urging inability to meet increased demands towards missionary stipends, the Committee were compelled to make an uniform reply, viz.: no money, though not without sympathy with the appeals.

The Bishop drew the attention of the Committee to the inadequacy of the stipends of missionaries with a view that the Committee should try and devise some ways and means to better them. The matter was discussed at some length and a sub-committee appointed to seek funds from those whose incomes (in some cases large) are derived from the natural resources of and industries in Algoma, but

who live in other places in conditions more luxurious than can be obtained in a new country. The Church ministers to the workers in the mine, the forest, and mill.

The by-law which the Executive Committee had before it in March was adopted at the April meeting. It is published herewith:

BY-LAW.

Grants are made from the Mission Fund subject to the following conditions:—

1. That the buildings of the mission be adequately insured in the name of the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Algoma; and that the policies be deposited with the Diocesan Insurance Officer.

2. That the requirements of the Synod respecting Special Annual Collections, the Annual Assessment for Diocesan Expense Fund, and other payments, be complied with by the various stations of the Mission receiving aid.

3. That each Mission Station agree by Resolution passed at a duly called Vestry or congregational meeting to pay the quota towards its missionary's stipend required of it by the Executive Committee, and that a certificate bearing witness to the passing of such Resolution be sent annually to the Secretary of the Synod, such certificate to be made on a form specially provided for the purpose.

The regular May meeting has been deferred for a week in consequence of the Bishop's inability to be present.

DIOCESAN NOTES.

THE annual Vestry meeting at Victoria Mines was held on Saturday, April 2nd, the Rev. T. N. Munford being in the chair. After the opening prayer had been said, the lay leader in charge (Mr. Godfrey Watts) read a financial statement which showed a very substantial gain in the receipts during the last year. He was able to report that the Church people at the Village of Mond were giving increased support to the Church, and much appreciated their fortnightly service. It was decided to build a vestry on the south side of the church with suitable accommodation for the missionary in charge. Mr. Phillips and Mr. Bates were re-elected churchwardens, and Messrs. Stalby and R. Colloton nominated sidesmen. It is proposed shortly to start a branch of the Women's Auxiliary in the parish.

On Thursday in Holy Week a Confirmation was held in St. John's, North Bay, when 19 were confirmed. On the following

day—Good Friday—the Bishop preached in the morning, with special reference to missions to the Jews, and conducted the three hours' service from 12 noon to 3 p.m. It was gratifying to notice a marked increase of appreciation of this touching but trying service. Sixty-five were present, many of whom remained throughout the service. It is hoped the effort was not made in vain.

St. Luke's parish, Sault Ste. Marie, showed evidence of its vigorous life at its annual vestry meeting, when the retiring churchwardens presented a report that was more than ordinarily creditable. Praise was certainly due them, and to the rector, Rev. H. A. Brooke, M.A., is due hearty congratulations. The parish is the strongest in the Diocese, and meets all its obligations fully—parochial, diocesan and extra-diocesan. The extra efforts put forth in connection with its new Parish Hall partly account for the large sum of money contributed to various objects. The receipts for ordinary parochial objects and special collections were \$4,249.68, of which a large percentage was contributed by the offerings in church, viz., \$3,165.17, of which \$1,920.21 was in envelopes. The new Parish Hall cost \$10,000. Upon it there is a debt of \$6,000. No surprise would be manifested if the debt were paid in a couple of years.

The missions of Port Sydney and Aspdin have been added to the district known as the Associated Missions. The Bishop recently visited the area under Canon Burt's supervision and expressed himself as satisfied with the wisdom of setting off these missions as parts of a greater area under one superintending priest. The addition of the two missions above mentioned extends Canon Burt's jurisdiction, so that now he has no less than fifteen townships and about twenty-three places of worship under his care. He is assisted by Rev. I. Sinclair, lately appointed an assistant priest, and three catechists.

The Easter Vestry meeting was held in the church at Copper Cliff on Tuesday, 29th of March, and a good number of Church members were present. The reports of the various branches of church work were read and approved. The same Church officers were re-elected, with thanks for their past services. The balance sheet, unfortunately, showed a serious deficit, but on the other hand there could be placed against this the

building of the basement of the new church, which has been paid for, and so the long-deferred hopes of the congregation promise soon to be fulfilled.

St. Luke's Church, Fort William, was presented for Easter Day with a fine brass altar rail. A new and superior system of electric lighting has been installed in the church.

Readers of our paper will rejoice with us in that Rev. E. F. Wilson, the originator of the Shingwauk Home, has given to the diocese a complete quit claim deed to the Shingwauk Home property, vesting in the Synod the fee simple to said property, free from all uses, trusts, and conditions. This will make vanish some difficulties which beset the Synod and Indian Homes Committee.

The Bishop visited Port Carling on Tuesday, the 22nd of April, for Confirmation. It was a special visit taken in connection with the Bishop's visit to other points. The roads made it very difficult to get about. But the devotion of the people made it possible; and a very hearty and well attended service was held in the evening, at which ten were confirmed.

The Archdeacon has been visiting the camps on the G.T.P. or Transcontinental north of Lake Nepigon. It has been strenuous work. But he has come back in good condition, and is now preparing for his visit to the Old Land. May his trip be blessed to himself and others. The prayers of our people will follow him.

Rev. T. E. Gullander, who has for a year past been in charge of the Church of St. Ansgarius, Port Arthur, where we have been seeking to build up a congregation of Swedes, has resigned. He will go back to Minnesota, U.S.A.

Messrs. Richard Haines, Harry Bruce, and Edward F. Pinnington are looking forward to ordination in the early summer. They hope to finish their course in Trinity this month.

The Rev. W. C. Phillips, recently of Massey but now working at Echo Bay, Desbarats and Sylvan Valley, has been married. We wish him and his bride every blessing.

A Mission is being started to the north of North Bay, where there is a large increase of population. It promises to be quite worth while. A site has been acquired, and a little structure is being erected for services, and the young men of St. John's are actively interested in the work.

On the 6th Sunday in Lent—Palm Sunday—confirmations were held at St. John's, Sault Ste. Marie West, in the afternoon, and at St. Luke's pro-Cathedral in the evening. At the former 19 were confirmed, and at the latter 36. Both services were very well attended and very hearty. St. Luke's was quite uncomfortably crowded. It is cheering to find both churches in the See town thus vigorous and thriving. Under Mr. Johnson the Church of St. John is certainly making very good progress—now that the works are in active operation. St. Luke's Parish had a phenomenally good year, the real work of the season being the erection of the splendid and commodious Hall, which is a boon unspeakable to the congregation and Sunday School.

The Bishop has received the gift of the deed of two lots for the site of a church at Charlton.

Steps have been taken to complete the parsonage at Nipigon.

NOT SUCH A DANGER.

WHILE there are opinions expressed that Mohammedanism is a great and increasing obstacle to the work of Christ's Church in Africa, it would appear that the view is not held on all hands.

The Bishop of Nyasaland, who has just arrived in England, has given to a representative of the Morning Post an account of the present position of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa. The Bishop has resigned his See to take up equally arduous work as first Bishop of the new diocese in North-West Australia.

Questioned as to the spread of Mohammedanism he declared that it was in no sense a danger.

In the most warlike and also the most religious of the tribes—the Yahoos—Mohammedanism, he said, is a power partly because it is represented as the religion of

the black man, as opposed to that of the white man, and partly because the religious instincts of the native find an effective outlet in the ceremonies. Prostrating himself on a praying mat and repeating texts from the Koran, the meaning of which is not understood, have a great fascination. But Mohammedanism is very superficial; the converts, for instance, never think of giving up fermented drinks, and its progress is much slower than that of Christianity. A few years ago many villages of fanatical Mohammedans were unsafe for the Christian, but with the stoppage of the slave and the ivory trades the Arab influence has disappeared, and the same places are asking for Christian teachers to be sent.

The real difficulty, the Bishop declared, is to find enough qualified native teachers.

During eight years I have confirmed 5,000 converts. Last year alone 1,500 were admitted to the Church. And this means more than it sounds, because no native is baptized until after three years' probation. There are two stages. First a man must express a desire to become a "hearer" and receive a year's instruction in Old Testament morality and the ideas of a personal God. At the end of that he is obliged to make a public profession, renouncing polygamy and witchcraft. He then receives a cross and is admitted a catechumen. But two full years must elapse before he is allowed to be baptized. We do not even baptize the children of Christian parents, since if the mother should die the custody goes to the grandmother of the mother's family; and they might be heathen. The father in Central Africa has no rights over his children.

Asked how the difficulty of polygamy was met, the Bishop said: That is not our business. Before a man is accepted as a catechumen he must be the "husband of one wife." Polygamy is as a fact decreasing, because with the cessation of tribal raids the women are not more numerous than the men, and as children belong to the mother a separation entails little hardship. The future of Christianity in Central Africa is assured. Nyasaland will certainly become an important tobacco producing area, and the cotton industry is rapidly growing. The native Christians are so thoroughly tested and trained that as prosperity increases the Church should become self-reliant and self-supporting. That is now the great thing to work for.

FUGITIVE NOTES.

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York will hold their annual reception of Colonial and Missionary Church workers on June 8th.

The Archbishop of Sydney (Dr. Wright) has been elected Primate of Australia.

Rev. E. W. L. Hicks is to be the Bishop of Lincoln in succession to Dr. King.

Inscription on the foundation stone of the Wangaratta Cathedral, (Australia): "For the worship of the Holy Trinity and the teaching of the Catholic Faith." For comprehensiveness, this would be hard to match.

Two unsuccessful meetings have been held for the purpose of electing a Bishop to the vacant See of Edinburgh. A third meeting is appointed for the 14th of this month.

Much interest is being taken in the World Missionary Conference to be held in Edinburgh next month.

The appeal which has been sent out by the two Archbishops in the name of the Church of England for the starting and temporary support of Church work in Western Canada is one of the most important appeals which have ever been made to Anglican Christians.

In the course of the official reply made by King Edward VII. to the addresses presented to him by the House of Convocation, he said: "The design of the Church is, as you declare, bounded only by the limits of the world. I watched with sincere interest the deliberations of the Pan-Anglican Congress and the Lambeth Conference, to which so many distinguished sons of the Church were called from all quarters of the Empire. Such gatherings foster and unify the zeal of Churchmen throughout the world."

REMARKABLE PROTEST.

THE Winnipeg papers recently published, through request, an open letter addressed to Archbishop Langevin by Maurice Constantin, a ratepayer of St. Claude school district. Heretofore the "public" school for this district has been held in quarters leased from the church authorities; the teaching has been done by nuns. This was not satisfactory to many ratepayers, who wanted their own school building in charge of certificated lay teachers; a by-law making provision for this was recently submitted to the people and adopted. The Archbishop issued a circular of remonstrance, to which the open letter is a reply. Its conclusion is a remarkable expression for a Roman Catholic to his Bishop:

"What bewilders me is the statement in your declaration that 'Catholics have no right to use the civil law when in contradiction with the directions of the Church.' Where is the contradiction? The fourth council, the Council of Chalcedon, fixes the limits of the meddling of the Church in private matters to matters of dogma and ethics. The former is protected by the neutrality of the school; the latter by the laws of the state. And I wish, sir, that you would more often remember the words of Christ: 'Redde Caesari quae sunt Caesaris, et quae sunt Dei, Deo.'

"And now, I draw conclusions. You and many of your priests never lose any occasion to insult France and Frenchmen. You find excuses for this in the legal measures that the French government has been compelled to take against the Roman Catholic clergy. In France, you have always been a state in the state: Rome against France. Here you try again to rouse the Catholics against the law: Rome against Britain.

"If you really mean independence, anarchy or a Roman self-government, if you feel reluctant to bend under the laws, emigrate. In the centre of Africa you will still find land to colonize, savages to control and an easy despotism. But, if you stay here, do not attempt to make fools of us French people. Willingly we came to Canada to find a living. To the country that gives us food we owe loyalty and gratitude. The laws of such a country are sacred for us. Our device is Liberty and Loyalty. Do not forget it."

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

Lord Milner, in a recent speech on Missions, said that British administration throughout the world was based, or should be based, on Christian principles and animated by Christian ideals. As an administrator he had heard the accusation that the natives preyed upon their Christianity. From his personal acquaintance with them he could say there was no warranty for such an accusation. Wherever he had gone in South Africa he had seen the influence of the Christian Mission was for good. Speaking purely as a layman, he said the influence of Missions was for good, for better order, better living, and general progress. The influence of the Christian missionaries was heartily welcomed by any civil administrator who knew his business. They could make their minds easy about the alleged ill-effect of Christianity upon the natives.

At the opening service of the new Cathedral at Halifax, which is also a bi-centenary celebration of the Canadian Church and the beginning of a Church Congress, the Primate, the Most Rev. the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, will be the celebrant, with the Most Rev. the Archbishop of Ottawa and the Right Rev. the Bishop of Nova Scotia as gospeller and epistoler respectively. The preacher will be the Right Rev. Bishop Courtney. On the Sunday following the preachers in the city churches include the Bishop of Missouri, the Presiding Bishop of the American Church, Bishop Brent (of the Philippines), and the Bishop of Glasgow.

A Tribute. It was in a resolution adopted by the (English) Congregational Union extending sympathy with Church people in the diocese in the death of the late Bishop of Lincoln, that this Dissenting body "recognized with gratitude to Almighty God the enrichment of the common Christian life of the country by his saintliness of character, by his faithful and steadfast loyalty to all that he held to be the truth, and by his kindly, tender personality."

Rev. A. C. Tuberville has resigned the charge of the Congregational Church, Hernehill, and has joined the Church of England.

The Sunday School Commission met last month in Toronto. Some progress was made with a view to teacher training, as well as in the betterment of methods for the instruction of pupils. It looks as though the Church were now awake to the duty of teaching its children the Church's faith. Last year \$3,000 was raised for the work of the Commission. An extra \$1,000 is needed this year and will doubtless be forthcoming.

The Church was brought into being as a missionary body; it is man who has tried to change its character, and he has been so far successful, that, among our people, missionary zeal distinguishes the few, instead of being the very life of every member of the Body.

A meeting of the congregation of St. John the Evangelist, Montreal, and friends, is shortly to be held to consider the erection of a suitable memorial to the late Rev. Edmund Wood, the founder and for so many years the beloved friend of the parish.

The Diocese of Fredericton has voluntarily surrendered the last S.P.G. grant, a sum of £120 a year. Only a pension of £50 to the widow of a clergyman will now be paid by the Society into that Diocese.

Rev. H. K. Dentinger, of Newark, N. J., and Rev. L. H. Tracy, both Presbyterian ministers, have resigned their posts with the hope of receiving Orders in the Church in the United States.

At the close of his life the late Lord Kelvin was undoubtedly the foremost man in the scientific world, withal a humble Christian and loyal Churchman.

The announcement is made with grief that the Right Rev. John Dart, D.D., Lord Bishop of New Westminster, died on April 17th.

The University of the South (Sewanee), has received from Mr. J. Pierpoint Morgan a gift of \$50,000 towards its endowment.

CHURCH TEACHING

THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE ON MINISTRIES OF HEALING.

IT is well at this time to recall the fact that the Lambeth Conference of 1908 gave considerable attention to the subject of Ministries of Healing, and went far towards recognizing the healing of the body as part of the Gospel which the Church of Christ is commissioned to preach and exemplify to men. It is especially noteworthy that in certain resolutions passed by the Conference the practice of anointing the sick with oil, according to the injunction of St. James (St. Jas. v. : 14), with a view to their recovery was distinctly though cautiously allowed. It was not to be exalted into a rite of the Church, nor to be used, according to the custom of later days, as a preparation for death. But they who desired the comfort and blessing of it were not to be refused. And whenever there was a proposal to resort to the practice the clergyman concerned was to seek the counsel of his Bishop before entering upon it.

Appended in extenso are all the resolutions which deal with the subject. They should be carefully studied by Church people, since they are the deliberate, thoughtful conclusions of more than 200 Bishops of the Anglican Communion assembled for the very purpose of giving their best consideration to such matters:

Resolutions.

"33. With regard to ministries of healing, this Conference, confident that God has infinite blessings and powers in store for those who seek them by prayer, communion and strong endeavour, and conscious that the clergy and laity of the Church have too often failed to turn to God with such complete trust as will draw those powers into full service, desires solemnly to affirm that the strongest and most immediate call to the Church is to the deepening and renewal of her spiritual life; and to urge upon the Clergy of the Church so to set forth to the people Christ, the Incarnate Son of God, and the truth of His abiding presence in the Church and in Christian souls by the Holy Spirit, that all may realize and lay hold of the power of the

indwelling Spirit to sanctify both soul and body, and thus, through a harmony of man's will with God's will, to gain a fuller control over temptation, pain, and disease, whether for themselves or others, with a firmer serenity and a more confident hope.

"34. With a view to resisting dangerous tendencies in contemporary thought, the Conference urges the Clergy in their dealings with the sick to teach as clearly as possible the privilege of those who are called, through sickness and pain, to enter especially into the fellowship of Christ's sufferings and to follow the example of His patience.

"35. The Conference recommends the provision for use in Pastoral Visitation of some additional prayers for the restoration of health more hopeful and direct than those contained in the present Office for the Visitation of the Sick, and refers this recommendation to the Committee to be appointed by the President under the Resolution on the subject of Prayer Book enrichment.

"36. The Conference having regard to the uncertainty which exists as to the permanence of the practice commended by St. James (v. 14), and having regard to the history of the practice, which professes to be based upon that commendation, does not recommend the sanctioning of the anointing of the sick as a rite of the Church.

"It does not, however, advise the prohibition of all anointing, if anointing be earnestly desired by the sick person. In all such cases the Parish Priest should seek the counsel of the Bishop of the Diocese. Care must be taken that no return be made to the later custom of anointing as a preparation for death."

A children's league called the Hosanna League has been formed for the purpose of helping Bishop Blythe in his strenuous work in Jerusalem.

The work in North Queensland is as real as any in Canada's far north. Rev. A. V. Williams, head of the Bush Brotherhood at Herberton, has been serving forty townships aided only by two lay readers. He has had to retire because of the over-strain.

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S. P. G. GREETING.

BISHOP MONTGOMERY, the Secretary of the S. P. G., signs the following "Warm and Loving Greeting from S. P. G. House, Whitsuntide, 1910:"

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost bless, preserve and keep you all whose names are written in our lists as well as in the Book of Life.

ONE family are we, of all nations and languages, called to be saints though unworthy: chosen to be friends of the Lord and to make His Name known in all the world. The reservoirs of God's Grace are ours for using if only we will open the channels.

BRETHREN all, let us join as one band, at Pentecost, in heartfelt prayer for our common work. The Holy Spirit is bound by no sea or land or earthly language, for He reads the heart. With heart and soul and strength let us become one on Whit Sunday in united intercession that in every Diocese and Mission, in every land, we may obtain grace to go forward one step this year. It may be best done by more concentration—or else by new work. May He Who answers prayer help the Church at home to find the workers and the funds, and bless the sowers and reapers abroad.

Now unto God and our Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

W. H. MONTGOMERY (Bishop),
Secretary.

RELIGIOUS TEACHING FOR THE CHILDREN IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ONE of the results of the remarkable rapprochement of the Anglican and Dutch Reformed Synods is now to be seen in the work done by a joint commission of these bodies in promoting religious education in the elementary schools in South Africa. It is proposed that the "local option" which School Committees in the past enjoyed for use or disuse of religious teaching shall cease, and "that each Committee shall be compelled to provide efficient religious teaching." Of course, a "conscience clause" for pupils is recommended. And for teachers, too. A simple catechetical formula is to be taught in the schools,—an abridged form of the explanation of the Apostles' Creed, Lord's Prayer and Ten Commandments from the Heidelberg Catechism—together with a Scripture syllabus. The Dutch Reformed Church represents the majority of the people. Besides the Anglican Church, there are smaller English-speaking bodies which have not been forgotten. The Wesleyans and Presbyterians are likely to unite upon the solution agreed upon; the others are uncertain, but are not numerically strong enough to effect the ultimate issue. The Capetown correspondent of the "Guardian" adds: "All South Africans who care for the 'things of God' may be thankful for the result of the Joint Commission of 1910." It is evident that our overseas brethren beat us in Ontario in this matter. We have talked a good deal. They have acted.

S.P.C.K. GRANTS TO CANADA.

THE S.P.C.K. at its March meeting made the following grants to the Church in Canada:—

Diocese of Algoma—For a wooden church at Parkinson, to cost \$1,000—£20.

Diocese of Qu'Appelle—For a wooden church at Windhorst, to cost \$1,200—£24.

Diocese of Qu'Appelle—For a wooden church at Big Prairie, to cost \$500—£10.

Diocese of New Westminster—For a wooden church at Okanagan, to cost \$1,500—£30.

Grants of books were made to missionaries in the Dioceses of Algoma, Nova Scotia and Calgary, and grants of Bibles and Prayer Books were made to missions in the Dioceses of Calgary and New Westminster.

BI-CENTENARY OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

IN connection with the keeping of the 200th anniversary of the first Anglican services in Canada, there will (D.V.) be several events of more than passing interest. On Saturday, Sept. 3, 1910, will come the opening of the new Cathedral of All Saints' at Halifax, N. S., the designs of which promise a dignified and worthy structure. On the day following the churches in Halifax and Dartmouth, N. S., will in their services specially note the occasion which draws so many to the festival and to the Canadian Church Congress, which meets on the 5th, 6th, and 7th of September. On the 8th, at Windsor, King's College holds a special convocation, and on the 9th an appropriate historical commemoration is to be held at Annapolis Royal. It is likely that many Church people will assemble in Halifax to take part in the various programmes, and it may be that a periodical Church Congress will be one of the results. Nothing but good could come out of such gatherings, where men utter freely their thoughts on matters which concern us all.

The Bishop of Madagascar says:—"The oppression of the French Governor-General continues. Some thousands of village schools under Mission-agents have been suppressed. They were an influence for Christianity and could not be tolerated; while meetings for prayer are strictly forbidden in private houses and mission rooms without the leave of the Governor-General. Natives have been fined and imprisoned for transgressing this rule."

The General Synod of the Irish Church has decided that it will not alter the "Table of Kindred and Affinity" in order to make it agree with State legislation, which makes legal the marriage to a deceased wife's sister.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Receipts by Treasurer of the Synod to 31st March, 1910:—

MISSION FUND

St. John's S.S., Port Arthur, \$2.75; Parry Sound, \$11.73; Christie Road, \$4.96; Powassan, \$7.50; St. John's, S.S. Marie, \$8.20; Nipissing, \$3.00; Cache Bay, 25c.; Marksville, \$1.81; Port Arthur, St. Ansgarins, \$4.00;

St. Michael's, \$1.00; Cobalt, \$7.95; Fox Point \$1.50; Ladies Guild, Callander, \$5.00; Depot Harbour, \$15.00; Green Bush, 31c.; Sucker Creek 36c.; Little Current, \$2.01; Ravenscliffe, \$6.90; Sturgeon Falls W.A., \$10.00; Elk Lake, \$10.75; Huntsville, \$11.35; Gore Bay, \$9.92; Algoma W.A., \$112.50; C.C.C.S., (£81.5), \$392.95; S.P.G., (£29.8), \$142.34; Pro Cathedral, \$2.00 additional; Gravenhurst, \$2.12; Parry Sound, \$5.00.

EPISCOPAL INCOME.

St. John's, S.S. Marie, \$7.00; Bracebridge, \$18.00.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

St. John's, S.S. Marie, \$7.66; Harris and Buckley, 50c.; Depot Harbour, \$3.05; Sucker Creek, 86c.

MISSIONARY APPORTIONMENT

St. John's, S.S. Marie, 50c.; Port Sydney, \$5.00; Marksville, \$5.00; Richard's Landing, \$10.00; Huntsville, \$36.75.

EXPENSE FUND

Harley, \$1.00; Huntsville, \$8.00; Englehart, \$2.00; St. Luke's, Fort William, \$12.50; Copper Cliff, \$4.00; Depot Harbour, \$4.10; Uffington, \$3.00; Little Current, \$7.00; Little Current, \$3.50; New Liskeard, \$5.00; North Bay, \$10.00. At Bishop's visits, Callander, \$4.46; Richard's Landing, \$3.30; Jocelyn, \$1.75.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

S.P.C.K.—Depot Harbour, \$2.00; Desbarats Church—S.P.C.K., \$96.72; Echo Bay Church—S.P.C.K., \$96.72; Byng Inlet Church—S.P.C.K., \$145.10; Thorneloe Church—St. Luke's Girl's Aux., \$5.00.

THE JEWS

St. Luke's, Fort William, \$7.85; Nipissing, 46c.; Pro Cathedral, \$11.55; Port Sydney, \$2.13; Newholme, 72c.; Bishop Blythe's Mission, St. Paul's, Fort William, \$10.75; Uffington, \$1.45; Purbrook, 55c.; Thessalon, \$1.25; Bruce Mines, \$1.90; Sudbury, \$24.83; New Liskeard, \$3.18; Huntsville, \$4.51; Cobalt, \$3.26; Falkenberg, \$3.00; Sturgeon Falls, \$5.40; Cache Bay, \$1.06; Bracebridge, \$8.07; North Bay, \$10.50; Gravenhurst, \$4.10; Emsdale, \$3.68; Kearney, 66c.; London Society, Huntsville, \$4.51; Cobalt, \$4.01; Richard's Landing, \$1.76.

SUPERANNUATION FUND

Huntsville, \$5.00.

INDIAN HOMES

Lennoxville B.W.A., \$25.00; S.P.G. King's Scholarships, (£7) \$33.82; Port Sydney S.S. \$5.00; Parry Sound S.S. \$15.00.