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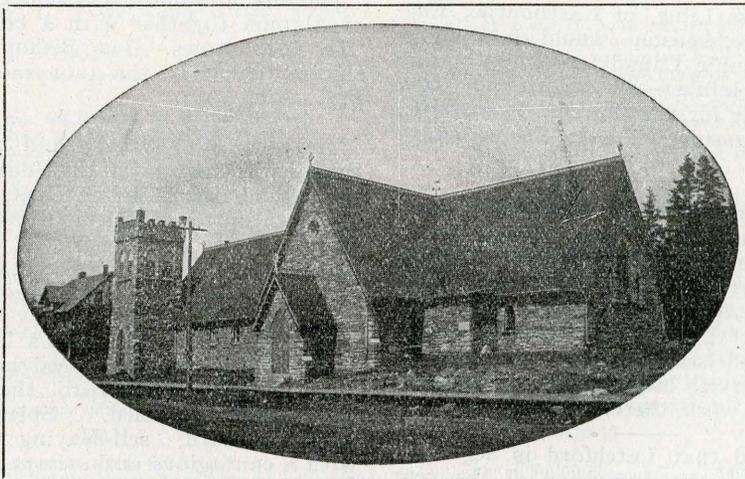
Now it is high time to
awake out of sleep.



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

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OTHER DIOCESAN NOTES.

THE W. A. of Sturgeon Falls Mission held annual fetes during the month of November. At Cache Bay a largely attended supper replenished the local treasury, while at Sturgeon Falls a sale of useful and fancy needlework in conjunction with a supper proved a decided success from a financial point of view. It is to the women in these places is due most of the credit for making the churches more and more suited for the reverent worship of Christian people.

Rev. E. H. Stephenson, of Schreiber, writes to acknowledge with thanks a beautiful portable communion service for Rossport from Miss Lillie, of Eastbourne, England. Mr. Stephenson would be glad to receive from some Canadian friend the material—good lumber—wherewith to construct an altar for the church. A working-man in the mission will give the necessary labour.

The Gore Bay Recorder published a most appreciative notice of Rev. Canon Burt's services on the Manitoulin Island, when it referred to his departure to undertake the duties of rector of St. Luke's, Fort William. Regret at this loss by Church people on the Island seems to be very general. His year's service has given a stimulus to the Church's work there.

We are told that Latchford is beginning to revive after the depression of the year past. The week-day services are better attended and Sunday services (fortnightly) are to be held—perhaps, now are held. The bell for the church, given by Rev. E. H. C. Stephenson, is now in place. The Bishop was here in November. Mr. Dunn did not leave until these signs of reviving interest were discerned.

On the Fourth Sunday in Advent Mr. Percival John Knight Law was ordained to the Diaconate in St. Luke's pro-cathedral. The preacher was Rev. W. Hardy Johnson. Mr. Law remains at Sault Ste. Marie, where he has done good work. He also takes duty at Echo Bay and Sylvan Valley.

The Bishop has transferred Rev. H. Bruce from the Mission of White River and

Missanabie to the Mission of North Cobalt, which includes Temagami and Latchford.

The Bishop visited Victoria Mine on the 17th of December and held service that evening. This place is likely to be more or less abandoned next year. The smelter is to be removed to Coniston. What shall we do with the beautiful church is the problem. It is so hard to foresee the changes and developments which are in store for these little mining towns. There was a good feeling among the people. Evidently Mr. Graham is doing a good work.

"The sender hopes that these may be of use in some mission in the Algoma Diocese."

This memorandum was sent to the Bishop of Algoma together with a box containing two neat stoles. The Bishop returns his sincere thanks to the anonymous donor. Dec. 28th, 1912.

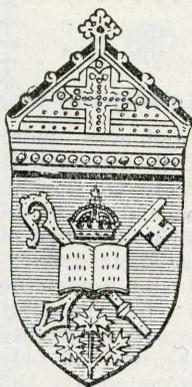
The 9th of February will be the First Sunday in Lent. On that day the rule of the Synod orders an envelope collection to be taken up on behalf of Diocesan Missions. The envelopes have been sent to all parishes and missions by the Secretary of the Executive Committee, Rev. Canon Piercy.

The W.A. of St. Paul's held a sale of work which has surpassed last year's record of \$500. This year the receipts are practically doubled. Splendid. Many weeks of hard, self-denying work coupled with a contagious enthusiasm produced this grand result.

The Bishop was in Toronto in December attending a meeting of a sub-committee of the Committee on the Revision of the Prayer Book. On the 8th of January and following days he attended a meeting of the whole committee in Quebec.

When visiting Haileybury parish at the end of 1912, the Bishop spoke highly of the self-denying work of Mr. Paul Cobbold, B.A., (Cantab), who is a licensed lay reader in the parish which he has done so much to build up.

St. Thomas' Church, Fort William, is rejoicing in the acquisition of a new furnace and some extra lights making it one of the best lighted and warmest churches in the district.



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SONG OF THE DAY OF THE EAST WIND.

Psalm lvi. 3.

I.

Is God for me? I fear not, though all against me rise;
When I call on Christ my Saviour, the host of evil flies;
My Friend, the Lord Almighty, and He who loves me, God,
What enemy shall harm me, though coming as a flood!
I know it, I believe it, I say it fearlessly,
That God, the highest, mightiest, for ever loveth me.
At all times, in all places, He standeth by my side;
He rules the battle fury, the tempest and the tide.

II.

A Rock that stands forever is Christ my righteousness,
And there I stand unfearing in everlasting bliss?
No earthly thing is needful to this my life from heaven,
And nought of love is worthy, save that which Christ has
given.
Christ all my praise and glory, my light most sweet and fair,
The ship wherein He saileth is scatheless everywhere.
In Him I dare be joyful as a hero in the war;
The judgment of the sinner affrighteth me no more.

III.

There is no condemnation, there is no hell for me,
The torment and the fire my eyes shall never see;
For me there is no sentence, for me death has no sting,
Because the Lord, who loves me, shall shield me with His
wing.
Above my soul's dark waters His spirit hovers still,
He guards me from all sorrows, from terror, and from ill,
In me He works, and blesses the life-seed He has sown,
From Him I learn the "Abba," that prayer of faith alone.

IV.

And if in lonely places, a fearful child, I shrink,
He prays the prayers within me, I cannot ask or think,—
The deep, unspoken language, known only to that love,
Who fathoms the heart's mystery from the throne of light
above.
His Spirit to my spirit sweet words of comfort saith,
How God the weak one strengthens who leans on Him in
faith;
How he hath built a city of love, and light, and song,
Where the eye at last beholdeth what the heart had loved so
long.

V.

And there is my inheritance, my kingly palace home;
The leaf may fall and perish, not less the spring will come;
Like wind and rain of winter, our earthly sighs and tears,
Till the golden summer dawneth of the endless year of years.
The world may pass and perish, thou God wilt not remove,
No hatred of all devils can part me from thy love;
No hungering nor thirsting, no poverty nor care,
No wrath of mighty princes can reach my shelter there.

VI.

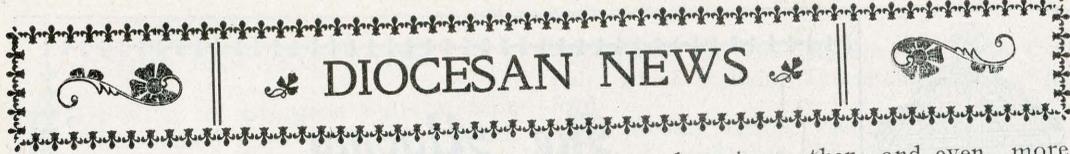
No angel and no heaven, no throne, nor power, nor might,
No love, no tribulation, no danger, fear, nor flight
No height, no depth, no creature that has been or can be,
Can drive me from thy bosom, can sever me from Thee;
My heart in joy uleapeth, grief cannot linger there,
She singeth high in glory, amidst the sunshine fair;
The sun that shines upon me is JESUS and His love;
The fountain of my singing is deep in heaven above.
PAUL GERHARDT. 1606—1676.

CHRISTIANS IN THE BALKANS.

WHEN every one's eyes are fixed on the desperate struggle being waged by the Balkan Allies against Turkey, it will be of interest to read reliable figures concerning the present religious condition of the Balkan Peninsula, and to note how large a proportion of its inhabitants are Christians.

	Population.	Religion.
Albania	1,500,000	900,000 Moslems; 600,000 Christians.
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1,568,092	43 per cent. are Orthodox Christians; 21 per cent. Roman Catholic; 35 per cent. Moslems.
Bulgaria	4,200,000	3,019,000 Orthodox Christians; 28,569 Roman Catholics; 138,000 Armenians; 33,000 Jews; 643,000 Moslems.
Macedonia	2,200,000	1,300,000 Christians belonging to various branches of the Christian Church; 800,000 Moslems; 75,000 Jews.
Montenegro	312,000	293,527 Orthodox Christians; 12,493 Moslems; 5,544 Jews.
Rumania	7,000,000	6,000,000 Orthodox Eastern Church but self-governed; 300,000 Jews.
Servia	3,000,000	Orthodox Eastern Church, self-governed; 80 per cent. are Serbo-Croatians; 160,000 Rumanians; 47,000 Gipsies; 5,000 Jews.

The Rev. John Oliver Feetham, of the New South Wales Bush Brotherhood, has been elected Bishop of North Queensland.



DIOCESAN NEWS

THE BISHOP'S LENTEN PASTORAL.

My dear Brethren:—

ONCE more Lent is upon us with its traditional warnings against a too exclusive devotion to the business and pleasure of this world. Should we not as we cross its threshold listen to its voice and consider carefully whether we shall be wise to ignore a message which comes to us with all the force of the historic Church's authority.

For the Church in her historic traditions such as Lent, not only represents to us the practice and experience of many generations of saintly men, and declares to us the gathered wisdom of the ages, but she stands for the Spirit of the Lord Who called her into being and inspired His blessed Apostles to mould and shape her ordinances.

Were this all that could be said for Lenten observance it should suffice. For can we deny that it is the duty of the Church's children to obey the injunctions of their spiritual Mother? But it is not all. There are reasons for Lent's prescriptions of a practical and convincing character, whose force every earnest right-minded person should be ready to admit. I will mention two:

1. Even to make the most of this life we need the observance of Lent. If our lives are to be rounded out to the fullest measure of efficiency we must learn, not merely on theory but by practice, the art of detachment from the world. The outlook bounded by business and pleasure is a pitifully low and restricted one. The ambition which aims at nothing beyond the acquisition and enjoyment of worldly wealth is at once sordid and selfish and miserable. The life which never rises above thoughts of gain and self-indulgence is grievously maimed, imperfect and disappointing. The man who is dominated by worldly considerations, putting honor and integrity and beneficence second to personal pleasure and advantage, has not yet learned what true manhood means, nor can he either discharge with efficiency the duties, or enjoy to the full the blessings, which true manhood involves.

2. But there is another and even more important consideration still—although it may not appeal very strongly to worldly people. It is this. Exclusive devotion to things of earth will imperil our hope of heaven. For earthly possessions and enjoyments have no value and confer no rights beyond the grave. In the other world the test of character will be applied to rich and poor alike. Heaven can only be heaven to the heavenly-minded. And earthly business and gratification are not of themselves promotive of heavenly tastes and thoughts. Nay they are very apt of themselves to lead our thoughts away from God and heaven and to bind us faster down to earth. "What shall it profit a man" in the end to "gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" There is nothing more absolutely foolish than the persuasion that because a man has got on and enjoyed life in this world he will be honored or exalted in the next. It will be what a man is that will tell there. And what a man is depends upon his attitude towards the things of earth and the things of heaven. We shrink and shrivel or we expand and develop to the measure of the things we live for. If devotion to earthly things be not tempered by devotion to things of heaven our character will be lowered and our hope of heaven imperilled.

This is where Lenten prescriptions find their place. Every exercise of self-control enjoined upon us; every act of self-denial, abstinence and fasting; every restraint of self-indulged habits and wilful self-pleasing; is to be regarded as an antidote to worldliness, a wedge driven into our lives to detach us more completely from that inordinate love of this world which though natural to us is apt to exclude the love of the Father, and to unfit us for heaven.

So every extra effort of devotion prescribed for us, every special prayer we say or service in which we are called to take our part, every act of self-humiliation or of fresh conservation of ourselves and all our powers to God's service is intended to strengthen and make more permanent the ties which bind us to heaven and to develop that heavenly mind which will fit us for our eternal home.

My brethren, as your Father in God, I bid you weigh these considerations care-

fully, and make Lent this year a time of real awakening. It is my earnest hope that, in every Parish and Mission in the Diocese, our clergy will provide, and our people will use special opportunities in the way of Lenten services with appropriate appeals, to draw God's people nearer to Him and to strengthen the hold He has upon their hearts.

In particular I hope there may be in every quarter a larger provision and a more faithful use of that blessed ordinance—the Holy Communion—which the Lord Himself provided and enjoined upon us as a memorial of His great sacrifice and a means of securing its benefits.

I am

Very faithfully yours in Christ Jesus,
GEORGE ALGOMA.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.
17th January, 1913.

NEEDS.

(1) The Bishop is troubled about various groups of poor missions which cannot do much to maintain themselves. What is needed is one or two earnest men in Priests' Orders, not afraid of driving long distances, or of roughing it a bit in order to minister to scattered souls. They must be essentially travelling missionaries. Yet they would in some instances have a house at some central point. Their stipend would be about \$500 to \$1,000 according to the number of places they had in charge. And they would have to provide their own horses and vehicles.

(2) There is need also of two or three teachers for Indian Day Schools. They must be willing to give themselves to their work without thought of self. And they must be fond of children. The work is elementary, but the Department of Indian Affairs looks for some kind of certificate. Young men or young women would do. But if young men are employed a little lay reading might be added in some cases. The salary would be from \$350 upward. The Bishop would be glad to hear from any Church of England person qualified for such work and willing to undertake it.

The Lenten Season will be quite a winter season this year. And Easter Day (March 25), will be no spring feat, but will perhaps find us in the enjoyment of zero weather.

STURGEON FALLS MISSION.

ON the Second Sunday in Advent the Bishop visited the Mission of Sturgeon Falls. He was much pleased with the improvements made to the interior of the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Sturgeon Falls. The morning was cold and stormy and the congregation was small. At the services the Bishop read the Lessons and preached as well as officiating as celebrant in the service for Holy Communion. In the afternoon the Bishop walked with Canon Piercy to Cache Bay for Evensong in the Church of St. Barnabas, when he again preached. The congregation was a very fair one. After a walk back and a cup of tea the Bishop was present at Evensong at Sturgeon Falls, at which three persons were confirmed. The evening congregation was large. He went on to North Bay that night after waiting until after midnight for the train.

BURK'S FALLS MISSION.

ALL Saints' Church people were very busy all through 1912, because they not only had current expenses to meet, but also wished to raise enough to enable them to claim grants which had been made in England. The object was to free the sacred edifice from debt. The churchwardens issued an appeal which brought a fair response, and the Woman's Auxiliary made several efforts also, which were signally crowned with success. Then, too, friends of the Church members, and of Canon and Mrs. Allman, were mindful of building fund needs, and many responses soon swelled the sum total at the bank. On Dec. 6th and 7th, the W.A. made a supreme effort, and (aided by some of the men of the congregation) gathered a large quantity of goods of various kinds. A store on the main street was loaned for the purpose, and during the two days \$200 were taken, over which there was great rejoicing. On Dec. 31st the District Treasurer wired Canon Allman to draw on him for \$300, and that sum, with the amount already in hand, made up the \$800 due. On New Year's Day, principal and interest were met, as required, and All Saints' Church is now ready for consecration on the occasion of the Bishop's next visit. To the Woman's Auxiliary too much credit cannot be given for their prayerful zeal and faithful labours.

BRACEBRIDGE.

A NEW steam heating plant has lately been installed in St. Thomas' Church, Bracebridge. The work was done by a local firm and cost \$900. The boiler was manufactured by the Safford Co., and has a capacity providing for 1,500 square feet of radiation. The radiators, of which there are thirteen, are painted dark red and are very neat and inconspicuous. Though at time of writing there has been no really severe weather everything points to the plant's giving most satisfactory results. The men of the congregation are financing the undertaking and have already raised by subscription over two-thirds of the amount required.

At a special vestry meeting on Jan. 6th, it was decided unanimously to adopt the duplex envelope system.

AN ALGOMA MISSIONARY IN THE LUMBER WOODS.

NOT long ago I was ministering to a congregation worshipping in a school house at a sawmill village on the north shore of the Georgian Bay on a certain Sunday morning when, having the rest of the day at my disposal, I resolved to pay a visit to a lumber camp where a friend of mine was the foreman, which camp was situated at no great distance from the shore—so I was told.

I set out after dinner at the mill boarding house and found without very great difficulty the place on the shore where the logs were "dumped" and found also after some efforts the trail that led to the camp. I followed this trail for some time but the "miles" in the woods are long miles, at least they seem to be, but at length toward sundown I reached the camp.

I found my friend the foreman in the office and after talking with him I went over to the camp and found most of the men employed mending their socks and other garments and taking in their washing, while some were amusing themselves with a couple of pups to whom they were teaching "tricks." I announced the object of my visit, but the foreman thought that as the time of supper was drawing near I had better wait till after supper before "opening up."

We adjourned therefore to the office till the supper bell sounded, or, to be more

exact, until the supper horn blew. But in the meantime there was a great noise coming from the men's camp—shouting and laughing and general uproar, and some sort of rough horse-play was in progress. The foreman called "order" and announced that unless they behaved quietly he should be compelled to "chuck" some of them out in the snow to spend the night in the bush. Thenceforth quiet reigned supreme.

After supper I "opened up" and the conduct of the men was all that could be desired. I endeavoured to the best of my ability to conduct service according to the practice of the Church of England and we sang some hymns also. But neither the service nor the hymns were quite perfectly rendered by the congregation yet I hope it was helpful. I preached to them for about twenty minutes, trying to impress some practical gospel truths. After sermon we sang a hymn of the Moody and Sankey variety in which some joined. Prayer followed and we retired to the office. Five minutes after the stillness of death seemed to have fallen upon everything. Everybody was asleep.

Breakfast was "on" hours before daylight but I did not start until dawn was breaking and I had for company a half-breed who proved to be a very entertaining companion for me. "Do you know old Mrs. Hammond who lives at your place? Well: She is the best woman in the world. I had a drunken good-for-nothing father and no mother at all and when my father kicked me out old Mrs. Hammond used to shelter and feed me and but for her kindness I should have been starved to death."

Well we met a Frenchman after a while coming toward the camp who engaged my companion in conversation while I went slowly forward. When soon they both came along, I enquired what had befallen our Frenchman. "Oh," said the half breed "he complained that he was sick, but I believe he had just lost his way, that was all."

On the Third Sunday in Advent (Dec. 15) the Rev. Canon Burt was inducted by Rural Dean King into the rectory of St. Luke's, Fort William. Canon Burt has done a good work on the Manitoulin Island, consolidating old missions and developing new ones. He will be greatly missed there. But he will be a great gain to the still more important sphere to which he has removed. St. Luke's should make good progress with him in charge.

IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE
NIPISSING DEANERY.

It was on Saturday, Oct. 26th, the Bishop travelled north from North Bay, having come almost direct from the Provincial Synod held at Montreal. The first parish visited in this, the northernmost part of the Diocese was Haileybury. Here the Bishop celebrated at the early service on the morning of the 27th, assisting later in the morning at the second service. The visit to this parish was most timely, coming as it did so soon after the fearful explosion when several lost their lives, four of whom were members of St. Paul's congregation. It is characteristic of the Bishop that he had not been in the parish an hour before he was busy making personal visits to those bereaved.

At 2.30 p.m. on the 27th North Cobalt was visited and a service held, when the rite of confirmation was administered to three candidates, and a crowded congregation addressed. This service over the Bishop hastened to St. James' Church, Cobalt, where at 4.30 the Sheriff-designate of the new district, with the Inspector-designate of Ontario Provincial Police, received Confirmation at his hands. Following this a hurried visit to the newly erected Y.M.C.A. was made and an address, profound in its simplicity on the subject of "Ideals" was given to the splendid body of men present. At seven o'clock the Bishop was back at St. James' where a crowded congregation was waiting. (From fifty to one hundred people, unfortunately were unable to gain admittance, it was so crowded). Evensong (fully choral) was followed by the Confirmation of twelve persons. The Bishop preached from the words of the Psalmist, "My heart hath talked of thee, seek ye my face: Thy face, Lord, will I seek." He was listened to with rapt attention by all present. It was easy to see that every word was going home to the hearts of the listeners. No wonder, for each word was most impressively uttered. The day after, St. Simon's and St. Jude's Day, his Lordship celebrated at 10.30 a.m. when eight of the twenty-four communicants made their first communion. The afternoon of this day was spent at North Cobalt, at the residence of Mrs. R. Cain, where a church tea was served on behalf of the funds of the Church there. The opportunity of social intercourse with their Bishop was appreciated by all pre-

sent. At 7 o'clock in the evening Confirmation was administered in St. James', Cobalt, to the choir master, and at 8 o'clock an address was given to the public in the Y.M.C.A. building, under the auspices of the W.A. on behalf of the Superannuation Fund—\$15.31 being the result. We are quite safe in saying we never listened to a more impressive address. The Bishop was in perfect form, notwithstanding the busy time spent, and he gave us of his best. The rector was in charge of the meeting, the Rev. H. E. Pelletier opening the same with prayer. Thus ended a memorable visit to the parish of Cobalt. On Tuesday his Lordship left Cobalt, where he had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Rogers, for New Liskeard and the outstations attached thereto. Englehart, Thornloe, Charlton, Swastika, etc., being visited later in the week. The visit to the Englehart Mission being completed, his Lordship had to leave this Deanery for Sucker Creek, where on Nov. 5th he had the pleasure of opening a new Church, a return visit being made to Haileybury on Nov. 12th. Here, in the afternoon, some 60 of the W.A. and Guild with a contingent from New Liskeard, were addressed in the Parish Hall. In the evening Confirmation was administered to some two dozen candidates in the presence of a large congregation. Later the same evening quite a large number of men listened to a very searching address from the Bishop in the Parish Hall. We should have noted that the day previous to this, the Mission of Latchford was visited, the Sacrament of Holy Baptism being administered in the afternoon, a church supper attended at 6 o'clock, and Evensong said at 8 o'clock. The church was comfortably full at this service. The Bishop remarked what a pleasure it was to him to see the Mission taking on new life. The financial result of the supper was \$18.55 and was given as a present to the student-in-charge, Mr. W. C. Dunn. Nov. 13th, the Bishop made his last visitation for the present in this part of the Diocese, this was to Temagami. Here the congregation was small owing to the dark and dreary weather, but a hearty service was held. His Lordship left for the South on this day's evening train. His visits are always inspiring but more so this year than ever. It is a great joy to us all to see him looking more fit than he looked when with us last. May we long enjoy his beneficent and impartial rule.

DIOCESAN NOTES.

WE are pleased to learn that the people of St. John's Church, Sault Ste Marie West, are reducing the debt incurred by the removal and improvement of their parsonage. The sum of \$142 was paid off last month.

Slow progress is being made in the erection of the new Church of the Epiphany, Sudbury. The people are anxious to get into the building, but are more anxious that the construction shall be as nearly faultless as possible. Now the lateness of the season for building is a drawback to all outside work, but if December be favourable the roof will surely be completed. Then the heating apparatus will ensure steady progress until the work is done. Meanwhile some use will be made of the excellent light and lofty basement. We hope all the desires of our Sudbury friends will soon be realized in this matter.

Mr. Cocks is doing excellent work in Michipicoten. He is now busy trying to secure the erection of a church. Services are held in a dining camp, where it is difficult to secure suitable arrangements for a devotional service. Mr. Cocks' influence is felt for good far and wide through the region.

The town of Steelton—adjoining Sault Ste. Marie—is rapidly growing. It will not be long before another mission centre is demanded there. Already the population is increasing by leaps and bounds and there is a wide area not reached by our present clergy. We need a site, a mission church and a missionary. The Executive Committee is looking into the matter.

While looking at the first volume published of the 1911 census we were struck by the areas of some of the lakes mentioned and in this Diocese of Algoma. Lake Nipissing is not a small body of water, with its area of 211,200 acres, but Lake Nipigon is more than five times its size, having a surface of 1,107,200 acres. Pretty Lake Timagami has an area of 57,960 acres. There are scores, not to say hundreds of little lakes not mentioned—though Lake Muskoka appears with 34,509 acres, and our share of Lake Temiskaming with 33,280 acres.

A bright and encouraging service was held at Garden River on the occasion of the Bishop's visitation on the 13th of December. Over 70 Indians were present. Some were away at work. William Buhk-wubjinine played the organ and a choir of young people, led by Mr. Hardyman, the school teacher, did good work. Mary Kabiosa is assistant organist. It is very cheering to see the Indians thus taking an interest in the services of the Church and learning to lead in the public praise of God. The mission is in good shape and has paid its apportionment in full and met its other obligations. We are anxious to encourage these people to give themselves more completely to farming. They have a good stretch of land if only they would use it to advantage.

With the deepest sympathy for the loss sustained by her parents we record the death of Miss Leslie Fuller, the younger daughter of Rev. B. P. and Mrs. Fuller. Deceased, who would have reached her 17th year on Christmas Day, was buried in the little Indian burying ground belonging to the Shingwauk Home, Sault Ste. Marie. The Church's solemn service was said in the pretty little chapel connected with our Indian Home by the Bishop and Rev. Canon Brooke. Many and widespread are Mr. Fuller's friends and their sympathy we can surely bespeak.

On Sunday, the 15th December, the Bishop visited the mission of Blind River. Canon Young is much better. His rest is at last telling for good. He is taking his services now regularly here and at the out stations. The congregations were good and the interest marked. It speaks well for the people that they have been so loyal during the long illness of their clergyman. They have indeed shown many proofs of their devotion. The place is somewhat quieter than it was, owing to the burning of one of its great mills. It has been singularly unfortunate in respect to fires.

The first passenger train to travel over the new line of the Algoma Eastern Railway passed through here in November. On board were the Government officials making an inspection of the new road. There will be a daily passenger train between Espanola and Sudbury before Christmas.—Webbwood Journal.

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

MORE than 50 years ago some members of the English, the Roman and the Eastern Churches formed the Association for the Promotion of the Unity of Christendom, the chief obligation of which was the daily use of a short prayer.

Thanks to representations of a child who had received some teaching in Church history at home and in Sunday School, the Superintendent of public schools in Chicago has issued a circular to the teachers of history in the schools directing that no one should teach a class that the Church of England was founded by Henry VIII.

The Rev. W. R. R. Lewis, a young graduate of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, has resigned a comfortable parish and volunteered for work in Labrador. The Church is doing splendid work in the Canadian Labrador, visiting every house along 250 miles of coast, and has schools in eight different places. This work has been going on quietly for fifty years.

The financial report of the General Board of Missions of the P. Episcopal Church for the last fiscal year has been made public in its totals, and shows offerings of over \$1,180,000, some 375,000 more than in the preceding year; but a comparatively large sum of about \$84,000 is credited to interest. Fifty-five per cent. of the whole sum was received from parish offerings. It must be remembered that these figures do not include the amount contributed in the several Dioceses for strictly diocesan purposes.

"The Primate of Ireland has lately drawn needful attention to the subject of the proper use of the word "Catholic." He impresses it upon his people that they must not allow the word to be monopolized by the Roman branch of the Church. He reminds them that there is a Greek Catholic Church, a Roman or Italian Catholic Church, and an English Catholic Church. The Church of England is the English Catholic Church; and our people should be accustomed to hearing and using

their own ancient name, and not allow it to be wrested from them by an alien hierarchy."—The Northern Churchman.

After an episcopate of 37 years, the Most Rev. Dr. Copleston, Bishop of Calcutta and Metropolitan of India has resigned. He is to be succeeded by the Bishop of Lahore (Dr. Lefroy.)

The sudden death of the Very Rev. E. P. Crawford, Dean of Nova Scotia, was a shock to many Church people in Canada. His absence from the Church's counsels in Synod and committee will be felt to be a loss. A man of sterling worth and staunch churchmanship has passed away.

In his 92nd year Dr. J. G. Hodgins, passed away at his home in Toronto. He was for many years connected with the Education Department of the Province of Ontario, of which he became historiographer. He was also active in Church matters. He and the late Rev. Dr. Scadding were historiographers of the Diocese of Toronto.

The new Bishop for the gold coast—that is the Diocese of Accra—is the Rev. Mowbray Stephen O'Rorke, M.A. Mr. O'Rorke, who was educated at Trinity College, Dublin, was ordained in 1902 as curate of St. Paul's, Jarrow. In 1910 he became Rector of St. Paul's, Rockhampton. Prior to his ordination he had been a member of the London Stock Exchange and had also been called to the Bar.

From "The Mission Field" it is learned that Bishop Willis has returned once more to his work in Tonga. His visit home to England has given the greatest satisfaction. Both he and Mrs. Willis return with the heartiest wishes of all for their welfare, and now we are informed that the Bishop proposes to leave his property, real and personal, by will for the endowment of a Bishopric to include the Tongan group and any other group according to the will of the authorities. We hope that such a will may not come into operation for a long while.

A COMMISSION OF BUSINESS MEN.

THE East and the West," the S.P.G. missionary quarterly review, has an editorial note with the above heading. It is, one would think, just the kind of note which will make the objector to foreign missions rub his eyes and we should hope read again. It says:

We have long felt that what is needed in order to dissipate whatever honest doubts exist among intelligent laymen in regard to the good work which Christian Missions are effecting is to get a commission of representative business men sent out to the mission field to make inquiry and to report. Ten years ago we were permitted to move in the United Boards of Anglican Missions that steps should be taken to promote the sending out of such a commission, but, though the motion met with expressions of sympathy, nothing was done. The kind of report which any impartial commission would be compelled to issue after a visit to the mission field may be gathered from one which has just been issued by a party of representative business men who were sent out by the Associated Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco to report on the possibility of developing commercial relations with China. An enquiry into the results of Christian missions did not form part of their original purpose, but the investigations which they made were of so exhaustive a nature that the effects produced by missions could not be excluded. Before they left San Francisco it was ascertained that one-third of their number was opposed to all missions, one-third were indifferent, and one-third approved of their existence. At their last meeting, held in Hong Kong, before leaving China, the question of encouraging missions was definitely raised, and the twenty-five commissioners voted unanimously in their favour. In the course of their official report, which has now been issued, they state: "To the great work done by the missionaries in all parts of China is due, doubtless, in large part, the wonderful progress made in education and commerce within recent years, and much of Chinese officialdom cheerfully extends them due credit."

The Diocese of Calgary is moving forward to independence of any assistance from the M.S.C.C.

THE RELIGION OF KING EDWARD.

KING Edward's broadly-religious views were one of the most striking of his many characteristics. Despite frequent assertions to the contrary, King Edward was a sturdy Protestant, entirely free from bias. He was neither a "Broad," a "Low," nor a "High" Churchman, but an amalgam of all three. Protestantism is capable of being either a gloomy creed or a cheerful one tinged with colour; it was the latter which Edward VII preferred and practised. In the discharge of his religious duties he was thorough; he gave one the appearance of enjoying to the full the calm, the repose, and the order of Divine Service. The presence of a cross and flowers on the altar gratified his sense of the fitness of things. To him they did not savour of "ritualism," a phrase often lightly and unmeaningly used. They formed part of the "beauty of holiness," and that sufficed. This attribute of Edward VII. is worthy of remembrance in this age of unrest. It was more than once reported of him that he was "a Roman Catholic in disguise;" that at a service at the (Roman) Catholic Church at Marienbad, when a Mass was being celebrated for his friend the Emperor Francis Joseph, the King had bowed at the "elevation," and, still worse that he had attended Vespers on the same day. I should not like to say that he did not bend his head at the most solemn part of the Mass, because to have abstained from doing so would have been irreverent, as it would have been for him to have removed his hat at a Jewish service. His deep feeling displayed itself very markedly at the celebration of funeral rites.—Mr. Edward Legge, in the October Fortnightly.

There is arising in India the question of making a new metropolitan diocese at Delhi.

There are 139 daughter churches in the old English parish of Manchester, and the number is still growing.

The Rev. C. J. S. Bethune, D.D., who was for a number of years Head Master of Trinity College School, Port Hope, and who now resides at Guelph, has been elected President of the Entomological Society of America.

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FORM OF BEQUEST TO THE MISSIONARY
DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

I give and bequeath unto the Right Reverend the Bishop of Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, the sum of....., to be paid with all convenient speed after my decease, exclusively out of such part of my personal estate, not hereby specially disposed of, as I may by law bequeath to charitable purposes; and I hereby lawfully charge such part of my estate, with the said sum upon trust to be applied toward the*..... and the receipt of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Algoma, or of the treasurer for the time being of the said diocese, shall be a sufficient discharge for the said legacy. And I direct that the duty upon the said legacy be paid by my executors out of the said fund.

The will, or codicil, giving the bequest, must be signed by the testator in the presence of two witnesses, who must subscribe their names in his presence, and in the presence of each other.

Note.—This testament must have been executed one year previous to the death of testator, to give it effect over Mortmain Acts.

*The object should be inserted here, and might be (1) The General Mission Fund; (2) The Widows' and Orphans' Fund; (3) The Superannuation Fund; (4) Bishop Sullivan Memorial Mission Sustentation Fund, etc.

PRACTICAL PROPOSALS.

THE Executive Committee of the Representative Church Council of the Scottish Church has ordered the circulation among Diocesan Councils of the report of a special committee which has been considering certain questions regarding Church publications. One of the recommendations of this committee is that a Central Publications Committee be appointed with power to provide and distribute literature concerning the history, services and life of the Church. It is also suggested that a Diocesan Press Committee be appointed in each diocese which would undertake responsibility for all diocesan communications and endeavour to obtain in each congregation a Press representative. The special committee are of opinion that the question of how to deal effectively with misrepresentations of, or attacks on, the Church in daily or other newspapers is one which might best be considered by the Bishops.

"What England needs," said King Alfred, a thousand years ago, "is not only good war-men and good work-men, but good prayer-men."

At a Confirmation service in a New York Church recently five different languages were used—English, German, Swedish, Armenian and Chinese.

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St. John's, Port Arthur, \$201.85; Schreiber, \$13.55; Thessalon, \$2.75; Huntsville, \$18.20; Powassan, \$25; Korah, \$36.76; Goulais Bay, \$8.24; Fox Point, \$12.50; Sprucedale, \$8; Midlothian, \$7.50; Dunchurch, \$10.25; Magnewan, \$12.50; Sturgeon Falls, \$27.60; Cache Bay, \$5; St. Paul's, Fort William, \$102.98; North Bay, \$18.73; Haileybury, \$100.89; Broadbent, \$15; Marksville, \$7.25; Depot Harbour, \$22.25; Englehart, \$13.25; Byng Inlet, \$28.12; St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, \$180; Beaumaris, \$10; Bracebridge, \$55.86; New Liskeard, \$23.10; Burk's Falls, \$35; Kagawong, \$6.40; Silverwater, 39c.; Meldrum Bay, \$4.28; Oliver, \$13; Emsdale, \$17.50; Baysville, \$20.90; Blind River, \$10.40; St. John's, Sault Ste. Marie, \$48; Parry Sound, \$80.28; Falding, \$1.73;

Parry Harbour, \$16.91; Anon, \$20; St. Luke's, Fort William, \$75.

SPECIAL PURPOSES

S.P.G. and C. & C.C.S.—Port Sydney, \$2; Newholme, 75c.; Sturgeon Falls, \$1.45; Thessalon, \$4; West Fort William, \$1.30; St. Paul's, Fort William, \$10; St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, \$3.25. Thessalon Church—S.P.G., special, \$94.33. Muskoka Church—Mr. Lawrence Baldwin, \$100. Mortimer Church—St. Luke's G.A., \$50. Desbarats Church—S.P.G. (£15), \$71.66. Burk's Falls Church—S.P.G. (£20), \$95.55; Algoma W.A., \$60; S.P.C.K., \$144.75. Nepigon Parsonage Debt—Rent of boat, \$45.50. S.P.C.K.—St. Paul's, Fort William, \$5; Thessalon, \$4. At Bishop's Discretion—Llewellyn Beach, \$40. S.S. Committee—Thessalon, \$1.

CHURCH AND PARSONAGE FUND

Algoma W.A., \$35.90; Mrs. Burden, \$3; Mrs. C. O. Scully, Beaumaris, \$25; Rose Bowen, Sherbrooke, \$1; Miss F. Shepard, London, \$48.50; Miss E. M. Rounthwaite, \$2.

BISHOP SULLIVAN MEM. SUST. FUND

Michael Woods, Esq., \$50; Miss Coldwell, \$1; St. Paul's, Fort William, \$20; Cobalt W.A., \$15.46.

MISSION FUND

Albert Michele, Nepigon, \$5; Edinburgh Rep. Church Council, \$71.94; J. K. Wilson, Esq., \$12.15; Ruben Miller, Esq., Beaumaris, \$50; Rose Bowen, Sherbrooke, \$1; C.H.B., 50c.; Mrs. P., 50c.; Mrs. Wallis, \$2.56; Mrs. Edward Martin, \$20; Algoma W.A., \$225; S.P.G. (£94 15s.), \$458.12; S.P.G. (£75), \$362.63; St. Ansgarius, account stipend, \$120.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Haileybury, \$9.42; Korah, \$3.50; Goulais Bay, \$1.90; St. Paul's, Fort William, \$26.79; Garden River, \$6.42; Blind River, \$6.10; Victoria Mines, \$2.60.

SUPERANNUATION FUND

Thessalon, \$4; Huntsville, \$8.35; St. Paul's, Fort William, \$10; Allensville, \$1.55; Aspdin, 10c.; Lancelot, 10c; Depot Harbor, \$2.88.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND

Rev. C. W. Balfour, \$10.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

St. Paul's, Fort William, \$20.99.

ALGOMA DIVINITY STUDENTS' LOAN FUND

Rev. Percival Mayes, \$50.

INDIAN HOMES

W.A., per Miss Carter, for Shingwauk, \$230; Indian boy from New London, P.E.I., \$20; Indian boy from Miss Millman, P.E.I., \$20; S.P.G. special for Wawanosh, \$2.25.

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