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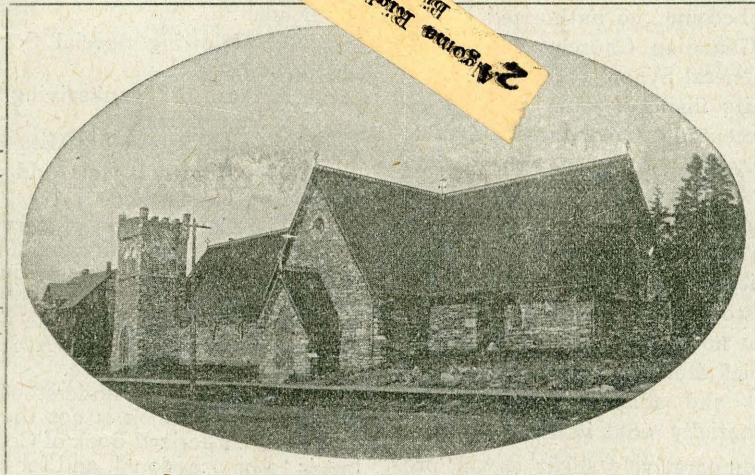
Now it is high time to
awake out of sleep.



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

The Algoma Missionary News

The Official Organ of the Diocese of Algoma



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Prayer Book Revision : Permissions in Algoma

To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Algoma:

DEAR BRETHREN,—As you are aware, a Committee appointed by our General Synod has for some years been engaged upon the difficult task of preparing a revised Book of Common Prayer for use in the Canadian Church.

This Committee, having at last completed its labours, presented the result in the form of a Revised Prayer Book to the General Synod which met in Toronto in September, 1915. And the Synod, after a somewhat lengthy discussion, provisionally accepted the Book.

This does not mean that the Book, so accepted, has become the authorized Prayer Book of the Canadian Church. Its acceptance by the General Synod was only the first step towards its final adoption. The Book must still be accepted by several other Synods, and particularly by at least one other session of the General Synod. There is practically no doubt that changes will yet be made in it. The work has been done carefully, in a conservative spirit, and under wise restrictions. It was understood from the beginning that there was to be no change of doctrine or principle. The chief alterations have been by way of enrichment and adaptation. The Book remains substantially what it was.

And yet, comparatively slight as the proposed changes are, it is felt to be right and wise that the body of the Church should have an opportunity of judging and pronouncing upon them. To that end the Bishops of the Dominion, meeting at the time of the last General Synod, passed a resolution suggesting that each Bishop should grant permissive use of the Book, as revised, within his diocese, in order that Churchpeople generally may then not only become acquainted with the nature of the proposed changes, but may have an opportunity of testing them in Public Worship and of expressing their mind with regard to them. (This resolution did not include the changed use of the Athanasian Creed.)

Acting in accordance with the resolution referred to I now authorize for use in this Diocese the following portions of the Book of Common Prayer as revised by the Committee appointed for the purpose and accepted by the General Synod of 1915:

1. The special Forms added to the Occasional Prayers and Thanksgivings.
2. The special Anthems (Christmas Day, Good Friday, Ascension Day, and Whitsunday.), and the Proper Preface for Epiphany.
3. The additional Sentences at the beginning of Morning and Evening Prayer, and those for Special Seasons and Days.
4. The changes and additions in the Litany.
5. The services for "The Transfiguration" (Aug. 6).
6. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony, as amended.
7. The Order for the Burial of the Dead, as amended.
8. The Order for the Churching of Women, as amended.
9. The following Special Services, at the end of the Book :
 - (i.) A Form of Thanksgiving for the Blessings of Harvest.
 - (ii.) Special Service for Missions.
10. The Proper Psalms added to the Old Table.
11. The Combination of Services set forth before the Order for Morning Prayer.
12. The necessary changes in Rubrics governing these permissions.

Attention is called to the fact that the changes in respect to the Athanasian Creed are not authorized for use.

Further it is to be understood that the use of the Revised Book is not to supersede the use of the authorized Book of Common Prayer, but is to be occasional, and for the purpose of experiment only. This end may best be secured by the Revision being used only at intervals, and on certain specified occasions.

Finally, this permissive use may continue until further order is taken, or until the date of the next General Synod.

Trusting that in this and every other effort to add to the perfection of the Church's worship, and to extend her usefulness, we may all be guided by the Spirit of God Himself.

I am,

Most faithfully yours,

GEORGE ALGOMA.

N.B.—Copies of the Revised Book of Common Prayer may be obtained from any bookseller.

Last month died Bishop Farrar, who was for a while Assistant-Bishop of Quebec, during the episcopate of the late Bishop Dunn.



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MANY THANKS.

The Editor, for himself and brother clergy, begs to make acknowledgment with much gratitude to their numerous friends in the Old Country for Church newspapers and other literature sent with such regularity to them—even in these days of delayed mail service.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND

AS required by the Canon, I beg to submit the following for publication in connection with this Fund.

H. PLUMMER,
Treasurer of Synod.

Amount of Fund, 31st Dec., 1916. \$28,120 56
Annual Income. 1,172 38

ANNUITANTS

Mrs. Llwyd, \$150 ; Mrs. Chowne, \$150 ; Mrs. Sullivan, \$125 ; Mrs. Pardoe, \$100 ; Mrs. Ulbricht, \$100.

CONTRIBUTORS TO THE FUND

The Archbishop, The Ven. Gowan Gillmor, Rev. Canon Frost, Rev. Canon Young, Rev. Canon Piercy, Rev. Canon Allman, Rev. D. A. Johnston, Rev. Canon Hazlehurst, Rev. W. H. Hunter, Rev. B. P. Fuller, Rev. L. Sinclair, Rev. S. H. Ferris, Rev. H. A. Sims, Rev. F. H. Hincks, Rev. C. W. Hedley, Rev. C. W. Balfour, Rev. John Leigh.

To all whom it may concern the announcement is made that within a few days special envelopes, provided by the Diocese for the purpose, will be mailed to the authorities of every parish and mission in the diocese for the offerings of all our Churchpeople on the First Sunday in Lent. The special purpose of the offerings is our Diocesan Mission Fund. For this Fund the Synod makes an apportionment. The sum total required is, as last year, \$2,000. It will be seen by notices sent out that the several parishes and missions are given figures but slightly varying from those of 1916.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1916.

Dr.

Canadian Bank of Commerce—	
General Account.	\$777 19
Savings Account.	10,525 00
SPECIAL SAVINGS—	
Students' Loan.	\$4,828 37
Church Parsonage	
Loan.	269 22
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	5,097 59
Investments.	16,399 78
Expense Account.	200,433 43
	433 90

\$217,267 11

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Episcopal Endowment Fund.	\$62,897 75
Bishop Sullivan Mem. Sus. Fund.	77,191 11
Episcopal Income.	1,256 56
Foreign Missions.	5 00
Missionary Apportionment.	79 26
Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	27,822 88
Superannuation Fund.	32,393 94
Church and Parsonage Fund.	980 90
Special Purposes Fund.	6,885 02
Mission Fund.	2,160 70
Students' Loan Fund.	4,828 37
Church and Parsonage Loan Fund.	269 22
Rev. Sir Piele Thompson Fund.	496 40

\$217,267 11

The accounts in detail will this year be published in the Synod Journal. It is therefore not deemed necessary to produce them in our columns.

It will be pleasing to all who knew the late Rev. Alfred Chowne, B.D., one of Algoma's pioneer missionaries and for years the Rural Dean of Parry Sound and Nipissing, to learn that his youngest son, Edgar, now at the front, has been awarded the Military Medal for conduct in face of the enemy in France.



DIOCESAN NEWS



AFTER TWENTY YEARS.

TWENTY YEARS. So long has our diocesan borne rule in this Missionary Diocese of Algoma. And every year as it went by riveted more surely the affection and esteem in which Dr. Thorneloe is held by those over whom, in God's providence, he has been called upon to lead as Bishop in this diocese. On the Feast of the Epiphany our Archbishop entered upon the twenty-first year of his episcopate. From within his jurisdiction—from priest and people—came many messages of congratulation and good wishes for the future. And from beyond Algoma's boundaries not a few were the hearty felicitations offered to his Grace.

As is his custom, the Archbishop celebrated Holy Communion in St. Luke's pro-cathedral on the Epiphany Festival, when among the offerings was a very generous one from the members of the W.A. of the diocese. Knowing how greatly the Archbishop has set his heart upon the much-needed increase of the Sustentation Fund, which he began to build up soon after he came among us, the women determined to reach one thousand dollars as a gift to the capital of the Fund. They did much better. To the Archbishop's delight and surprise the envelope containing the gift held a cheque for no less than \$1,875. All honour to them. It was a generous contribution to the Sustentation Fund in these times of willing gifts for patriotic purposes. The sum was made up of sums given by branches, big and little, strong and weak—a large portion of it being money earned by the members of the Woman's Auxiliary themselves for the occasion.

Slowly, but surely, this Fund, which is looked forward to as the mainstay of our missionary work for years to come, is growing. Dare we say we hope that before many years the sum of \$100,000 will be reached and anticipate the joy that will fill the heart of the Archbishop when the day comes, which we hope it will be his to feel.

In the evening the W.A. held a reception in St. Luke's parish hall for the Archbishop and

Mrs. Thorneloe, which was a most happy gathering. In the absence of the rector, Rev. W. S. G. Bunbury, the chair was taken by the rector of St. John's Church, Rev. W. H. Trickett. Addresses were given by the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Thompson and by the Archbishop.

Mr. Thompson, one of the oldest and most active Churchmen in Algoma, was able to look at things as they were in Sault Ste. Marie and in the diocese when Dr. Thorneloe entered upon his episcopate in January, 1897, and to congratulate his Bishop upon the strides made during twenty years. Mr. Thompson's speech was generally characterized as one of his best—and he is no 'prentice hand on the public platform—a testimony to his progressive, active interest in the Church's work. How true it is that knowledge and service produce consuming zeal.

The event of the evening was, of course, the speech of the Archbishop. In it he looked back and reviewed the years of his episcopate with its encouragements and disappointments. He had been cheered often by the splendid work of the W.A. for which he could not find suitable words to express his gratitude. He expressed his thanks to St. Luke's pro-Cathedral branch for reception then tendered him and Mrs. Thorneloe, seeing in it a great tribute of affection.

There was another event to mark the "Twentieth Anniversary." On January 8th the Archbishop kept an appointment to address the members of St. Luke's Men's Church Club. The address was rather, in response to a request, a talk on Church Customs and Traditions—their uses, their value, their history and their testimony to the Christian Faith. Needless to say all present were instructed, and in some instances we know they were delighted. At its conclusion His Grace was presented with an enlarged photograph picture (framed), which finds its place on the wall of St. Luke's Parish Hall. It has been suggested that on the walls of the hall should also hang pictures of the two Bishops who preceded Dr. Thorneloe in the Diocese of Algoma.

SUDBURY.

WE were favoured with a visit from the Archbishop of our Province and Diocese on Sunday, December 17th, to hold a confirmation in the Church of the Epiphany. There was an early celebration at which the Archbishop was the celebrant and the rector the server.

The confirmation took place at the close of Matins, when four boys (members of the choir) and one girl, were presented to His Grace to receive the Apostolic Blessing in the laying on of hands.

Owing to the severe illness of his mother, one other boy was unavoidably absent, and also two adults who had been prepared by the rector, failed to be present. We trust, however, the preparation will not have been in vain and that another occasion may find these absentees present to be enrolled in the full membership of the Church of Christ, and to become partakers of the highest blessing vouchsafed to man in the Holy Sacrament of His Most Precious Body and Blood.

Meanwhile it is both discouraging and disappointing that after a long season of careful preparation with full consent of the persons under instruction, to find so many cases of this "starting aside like a broken bow," on the part of "Catechumen." The Archbishop, as is his wont, delivered a clear and forceful sermon emphasizing the responsibility of the ministerial office, and indeed in its time and place of all sorts and conditions of men in their different spheres of life and actions. The congregation gave profound attention to the sermon, and we think and pray carried home with them the lesson inculcated in his discourse.

His Grace was conveyed to Copper Cliff for the Evening Service.

His Grace's visitation always gives an impetus to parochial life which is extremely encouraging and helpful.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S VISITATION OF NIPISSING.

ON Sunday, November 26th, the Archbishop was at New Liskeard the whole day and preached morning and evening and also addressed the Sunday School in the afternoon.

NEW LISKEARD

has suffered as much as any place owing to the war. Many men have enlisted and the congregation has proportionally been weakened. Notwithstanding this it was most encouraging to notice signs of vigour and interest still remaining. The Ven. the Archdeacon has

been in charge here for some months, and he has made his influence felt in all directions. The Rev. A. J. Oakley, of Beaumaris, has arrived to take charge of this Mission for the winter. Prevailing conditions will inevitably delay the project of a new church. The out-of-the-way location of the present church is a serious difficulty. The church was well filled on the occasion of the Archbishop's visit and the services were hearty.

ELK LAKE.

On Monday the Archbishop travelled to Elk Lake, which Mission has been closed for the best part of the year, owing to the depressed conditions of the place. With Mr. Palmer, His Grace visited several families. An arrangement for holding a service in the evening was made. It was held in the school-house owing to the impossibility of warming the church building. There was an encouraging attendance. After the service a congregational meeting was held with a view to the resumption of services. Steps were taken towards putting the church in proper condition for use. The people have naturally lost heart and need the encouragement which would come of renewed services, with regular visitations of a missionary of their own. A meeting was arranged with a view to carrying out the proposals made, and the Archbishop is encouraged to hope that the work in this portion of the Diocese may be resumed. He is also greatly encouraged in this hope by reports of certain discoveries of rich silver veins in the mines of the surrounding district. If these reports should prove correct there will undoubtedly be a great revival of mining activity in that district.

EARLTON.

At Earlton through the unfortunate miscarriage of the notice of a service, no service was held. This district is being rapidly settled by French Roman Catholics from Quebec, and reports are current as to the payment of phenomenal prices by these people for desirable locations. The whole locality seems likely to become a centre of Roman Catholic population and influence. From a Church point of view this is a sad disappointment, for the country is a splendid agricultural region and we had counted upon having our share in its religious development, but the French colonists are undoubtedly within their rights in what they are doing, and we have no legitimate ground for complaint.

BRETHOUR.

On Tuesday, November 29th, an interesting trip was made into the Township of Brethour. Starting from Thorneloe on the T. & N.O. Railway the Archbishop accompanied, by

the Archdeacon, drove some fourteen miles through a newly-settled country to Brethour School-house on the eastern side of Blanche River. The roads are not yet strictly speaking made. The trip is therefore not an easy one, nor did the rain, which came down persistently all day long, improve matters. Yet, notwithstanding these adverse conditions, some forty people assembled in the school-house and a most interesting service was held. A child was baptized and one young person was confirmed. The settlement is largely English and is remote from any established Mission. It has been served during the past year by Mr. W. T. Swainson, a former student of the Diocese, who was compelled for a time to abandon his preparation for Holy Orders through ill-health. He is now a settler in the Township of Harley, but has sufficiently recovered to cherish the hope of resuming his preparation for the sacred ministry in the near future. Under his ministry the people of Brethour have been encouraged to hope for a church and regular ministrations in the coming year. Various sites have been offered for a building, but the scattered character of the settlement makes the task of selection a difficult one. The problem has not yet been solved. A meeting of the leading settlers was held at Mr. Penman's house, and there is every reason to believe that the work will go on happily. The next day (St. Andrew's Day) His Grace and the Archbishop drove back to the railway and took train for

HAILEYBURY

Here a splendid service was held in the evening. This service was partly of a Mission character—also a service of confirmation, twenty-one receiving the sacred rite. On this occasion, as on the following Sunday morning, when the Archbishop celebrated the Holy Communion and preached at 11 o'clock, the crowded congregations and evident enthusiasm of the people bore witness to the splendid work being done in this important parish by the Rev. J. C. Popey. On Saturday, Dec. 1st, His Grace visited the Mission of

HUDSON AND THORNELOE.

This mission is now under the care of the Rev. H. Peeling, one of our new deacons. Four persons were confirmed at Hudson. At Thorneloe, which is the centre of the Mission, there was no confirmation, but Mr. Peeling's work is telling upon the congregation and interest is growing. On Saturday morning a bright service was held at

HARLEY.

Here at 11 o'clock the service included a confirmation with nine candidates and a celebration of the Holy Communion. Harley is a bright spot in the Mission work of this region.

The people have pulled together with enthusiasm. They do not go beyond their means in completing their equipment, but each Episcopal visitation finds something added to the church and its appointments. On this occasion it was a splendid system of lighting of which the people were justly proud.

Advent Sunday was a very full day for the Archbishop. The two services in Haileybury were followed by an early Evensong at North Cobalt and a service with confirmation at Cobalt. Both these later services were well attended. That at Cobalt was especially so. The church was crowded to its capacity, and the service was extremely hearty. Eight persons were confirmed. It is no small encouragement to the Archbishop to find the work in the region of Haileybury and Cobalt carried on with such efficiency and devotion as it evidently is by the rectors of Haileybury and Cobalt.

December 4th was given up to the visitation of Charlton and Englehart. This interesting and important region, including several centres of Church population and life, has felt the effects of war as seriously as any part of the Diocese. It is no small tribute to the Rev. R. F. Palmer, deacon of less than a year's standing, that he has kept these Mission centres in line during this trying period, and has awakened living interest in spiritual things in the chief places. Evidences of this were afforded in the confirmation of ten persons at Englehart and one at Charlton, as well as by the reception of a candidate from the Roman Catholic Church to our communion.

SAULT STE. MARIE.

THE evening of January 15th, St. John's rectory was the scene of an interesting function. It being the eve of the rector's (the Rev. W. H. Trickett) birthday, members of the Men's Association and the choir decided to mark the event by uniting to give Mr. Trickett a surprise visit. After the usual business meeting of the Association, the choir members arrived. To the great surprise of the rector, Mr. J. D. Tipton, as President of the Men's Association, presented a handsome travelling case, suitably inscribed. In so doing Mr. Tipton read an address to the rector, which testified to the splendid cooperation of priest and people in the common work of building up a new parish.

Mr. R. C. Smith, on behalf of the choir, presented a beautiful gold cross, on the reverse side of which was inscribed, "The Rev. W. H. Trickett, from St. John's Choir." Mr. Smith expressed the appreciation of the members of the choir in suitable words, and spoke of the able

way the choir practices were conducted, with the result that the services were much appreciated by the congregation.

Mr. Trickett replied expressing his deep sense of gratitude to the members of the Men's Association and the choir, and said "that if he had been able to accomplish anything it was not entirely owing to his own ability, but through the active co-operation of those associated with him in the work." The evening was passed in a most happy way, and a bountiful supply of refreshments were brought.

STATEMENT OF APPORTIONMENTS
RAISED IN ALGOMA, 1916.

DEANERY OF ALGOMA

	Apportionment	Paid
Blind River.....	\$ 75 00	\$ 75 00
Bruce Mines.....	48 00	.....
Copper Cliff.....	55 00	55 00
Echo Bay.....	10 00	.....
Garden River.....	21 00	26 00
Gore Bay.....	63 00	30 65
Korah.....	48 00	40 00
Little Current.....	53 00	56 00
Manitowaning.....	26 00	8 30
Massey and Walford.....	42 00	.....
Parkinson.....	10 00	.....
Sault Ste Marie—		
St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral.....	380 00	180 00
St. John's.....	63 00	24 50
Bishop Fauquier Chapel.....	10 00	10 00
Silverwater.....	26 00	10 35
St. Joseph's Island.....	48 00	7 87
Shequindah.....	26 00	14 87
Thessalon.....	42 00	42 00
Webbwood.....	48 00	48 00
	\$1,094 00	\$628 54

DEANERY OF MUSKOKA

Aspdin.....	\$ 21 00	\$ 1 40
Baysville.....	50 00	50 00
Beumaris.....	53 00	53 00
Bracebridge.....	117 00	117 00
Franklin.....	26 00	18 40
Falkenburg.....	34 00	36 26
Gravenhurst.....	68 00	26 00
Huntsville.....	105 00	133 90
Muskoka Station.....	10 00	.....
Novar.....	26 00	50
Port Carling.....	53 00	53 00
Port Sydney.....	55 00	65 33
Uffington.....	26 00	26 00
	\$655 00	\$580 79

DEANERY OF NIPISSING

Coniston, Bisco, etc.....	\$ 26 00	\$ 30 00
Cobalt.....	170 00	170 94
Charlton.....	6 00	2 50
Englehart.....	21 00	.....
Elk Lake.....	10 00	.....

Haileybury.....	\$170 00	170 00
Latchford.....	10 00	.....
New Liskeard.....	53 00	36 00
North Bay.....	170 00	170 00
North Cobalt.....	16 00	.....
Sturgeon Falls.....	63 00	53 75
Subdury.....	170 00	170 00
Thornloe.....	10 00	14 00
	\$895 00	\$817 19

DEANERY OF PARRY SOUND

Burk's Falls.....	\$ 53 00	\$ 46 45
Byng Inlet.....	55 00	55 00
Callander.....	26 00	26 00
Depot Harbour.....	40 00	22 00
Emsdale.....	63 00	64 10
Maganatawan.....	31 00	.....
Nipissing.....	26 00	.....
Parry Sound.....	117 00	117 00
Powassan.....	63 00	64 00
Rosseau.....	73 00	70 83
Seguin and Broadbent.....	31 00	14 39
Sundridge.....	53 00	46 39
	\$631 00	\$526 16

DEANERY OF THUNDER BAY

Fort William—		
St. Luke's.....	\$105 00	\$100 00
St. Paul's.....	262 00	145 00
St. Thomas.....	55 00	.....
Hymers.....	10 00	.....
Nipigon.....	15 00	15 00
Oliver.....	21 00	11 45
Port Arthur—		
St. John's and Missions.....	380 00	380 00
Schreiber.....	53 00	53 00
White River and Missanabie.....	53 00	51 33
	\$954 00	\$755 78

SUMMARY

Algoma Deanery.....	\$1,094 00	\$628 54
Muskoka Deanery.....	655 00	580 79
Nipissing Deanery.....	895 00	817 19
Parry Sound Deanery.....	631 00	526 16
Thunder Bay Deanery.....	954 00	755 78
	\$4,229 00	\$3,308 46
Miscellaneous.....		202 82
		\$3,509 28

DIOCESAN NOTES.

Christmas at Sault Ste. Marie passed off very pleasantly. The services at the pro-cathedral were well attended, and the music as usual was good. At St. John's Church the services were very hearty and a goodly number of communicants were present at one of the three celebrations. The Mission of St. Peter (Harris and Buckley) seems to be forging ahead under the splendid leadership of the Rev. O. L. Jull. Recently the church has been beautified, the walls being coloured and the floor painted. The Christmas service was hearty

and, notwithstanding that some had to work on Christmas morning, a goodly number approached the altar. Shingwauk Home had a very happy Christmas-tide. On Christmas night the children's annual Christmas tree took place. The programme of songs, recitations, etc., were distinctly good and showed much credit on the children and those who trained them.

Recently the Archbishop visited Massey, Walford and the Spanish River Reserve. Services were held in all three places. The Archbishop was much pleased with his visitation of this Mission. At Massey and Walford a number of candidates were presented for the "laying on of hands," and much interest was taken in all the services. Credit is due the Rev. T. H. Young, who is doing a good work. At the Spanish River Reserve a number of Indians have moved away to other parts, making it impossible to have a successful day school. However, the few remaining are regularly visited by Mr. Young and regular services are held.

All Saints' Sunday School, Burk's Falls, held its annual Christmas entertainment in Sharpe's Hall, on Thursday, January 4th, 1917. An excellent lantern, a supply of beautiful slides, and a "Lantern Talk" by the Rev. R. S. Mason, of the S.S. Commission, afforded a very entertaining and profitable evening. Canon Allman introduced Mr. Mason at 8.15 p.m., who made a very kind and suitable reply, and urged parents generally to take more notice of the Sunday School than many of them do. The exhibition of slides was most satisfactory and a large crowd of persons saw them. The first set was an illustration of the Christmas story, and the representation of the gorgeous Eastern robes and scenes was charming beyond description, whilst explanation and teaching were blended in a manner most acceptable. The second set of slides set forth the history of the great and glorious British Navy, past and present, from the original raft to the modern warship. There were a few comic scenes thrown on the sheet, and also some of the Christmas hymns, closing with the National Anthem. Mr. Mason earned the thanks of all present for such an evening of pleasure.

The Rural Deaneries of Parry Sound, Muskoka and Nipissing, are announced to hold meetings during the first week in February.

Much sympathy goes out to the Rev. C. C. Simpson, of White River, who recently lost his mother.

The annual Christmas entertainment for the children of All Saints' Church, Huntsville, held on December 28th, was usually well attended. Tea was served at 6 o'clock. In the programme which followed the children took part brightly and well in their songs and instrumental pieces. The thanks of the committee are extended to Mr. Sylvester and the orchestra, to Mr. E. H. Flaxman, and to All Saints' Male Quartette for their musical numbers, which were much appreciated. In a brief speech the rector, Rev. P. J. K. Law, expressed his gratification at the large number present and hoped that the parents would continue to show their interest by sending the children regularly to Sunday School. Prizes were then awarded and candies distributed, and a very pleasant evening was brought to a close with the National Anthem.

On Sunday, December 31st, the Archbishop was the preacher at St. John's Church, Sault Ste. Marie, at Evensong. Before Evensong His Grace dedicated the fine white altar frontal sent out from England, a pulpit and altar rail, the gifts of members of the congregation. The church recently has been much improved. The walls have been coloured and tinted, making the interior attractive. A "watch-night" service was conducted by the rector, Rev. W. H. Trickett, who delivered two addresses. At the close of this service the Holy Communion was celebrated, a large number receiving.

On the last day of the year 1916 (Sunday) there was in the morning at St. Luke's Church, Sault Ste. Marie, a service which was in particular a memorial to two Canadian soldiers well known there, viz., Major G. A. Reid and Lieut. H. G. Pinnet, both of whom we believe fell in the great Somme battle. The Archbishop was the preacher. The local regiment—the Sault Rifles—was present.

While Rev. Canon Boydell was laid aside by severe cold—or gripe as it is called perhaps more correctly—the Archdeacon took duty at Sudbury for a couple of weeks.

His Grace the Archbishop and Mrs. Thorneloe were guests of the Rev. C. W. and Mrs. Balfour at North Bay for the Christmas Festival.

The Ven. Archdeacon Gillmor, who has been doing duty for some months at New Liskeard, has left to take charge of the Mission of Bruce Mines for a time.

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

Africa—West, East, and Central—is witnessing what at any time may become a mass movement. At the present rate of progress the Church in Nigeria will have doubled its numbers in five years' time. This great problem there is that of pastors and teachers. But the demand far exceeds the supply, and the Training Institutions are inadequate to meet the need. East Africa and Uganda repeat the story, and the present staff despair at meeting the requests brought to them. In one portion of the Uganda Protectorate there is a decided mass movement towards Christianity, and if this is allowed to pass such an opportunity many never recur. In writing of the effect of the war in Egypt, Bishop MacInnes tells of the emptying of the hospital at Old Cairo, as the patients feared to be found in a Christian Institution in the event of the Turks arriving in the land. For a time the outlook was serious, but the Government requested that a number of the patients from the Kasr el Aini Hospital, which was required for the accommodation of wounded British soldiers, should be received at the Mission Hospital.

Reports from a C.M.S. Committee in North India speak of the overwhelming opportunities among the so-called outcasts. Among the Chamars, or leather-workers, a like condition of affairs exists, and they are pressing into the Kingdom; but teachers and evangelists must be provided for them, or an uneducated Church will result. On the frontier the medical work is faced with opportunities that dare not be considered with the present depletion of staff. Afghanistan, the great closed land, could be reached from British India were there but sufficient workers to devote their time to the patients from that land that throng to Peshawar for healing.

We are glad to hear that on October 1st the Bishop of Accra on the Gold Coast ordained as priests two Africans, Ezra Douglas Martinson and William Hutton Mensah. One hundred and fifty years have elapsed since the last ordination as priest occurred of a native of the Gold Coast. We are glad also to note that on August 13 the Bishop of New Guinea ordained Francis Tutuana as a deacon.—*The Mission Field.*

The Rev. W. G. Ransome of the Universities Mission to Central Africa, died in Zanzibar in November of fever contracted while interned in German East Africa. This is the second death among those priests of the Mission who were in the enemy's hands.

The Secretary of the New Chaco Missions in South America writes: It is an old saying that work cannot stand still; the soldiers of the Cross cannot "mark time." Thus in war, although new missionaries—at least, new men missionaries—cannot be sent out, the work if it is not decreasing is increasing. Missionaries, like other Britishers, do not like to be called "liars," so when Mr. Farrow was called a liar by the Sanapanas (a Chaco tribe in Paraguay) because he had not fulfilled a conditional promise "to go when he could," he felt something must be done; and when these same Indians cut a roadway through seven forests to enable a bullock waggon to perform the journey, he went. Thus a new station, in spite of war and sadly diminished funds. When the crisis in Argentine, accentuated by the war, dislocated work as regards Indians in the Argentine Chaco, the missionaries pushed on and cleared a place in the forest, where work might be carried on uninterruptedly among the Matacos, and now comes the news of another inevitable "thrust" into heathendom by the establishment of work among the section of Paraguay.

Fr. Velimirovic, a Serbian priest now in England, says that circumstances have made it possible for some of the smaller Orthodox Churches to advance more in the cause of intercommunion than the greater communities, and that he and many of his compatriots have gladly availed themselves of the hospitality extended to them by the English Church in communicating at English altars.

A movement has been started for the erection of a transept of Liverpool Cathedral as a memorial to soldiers and sailors who have fallen in the war. It would constitute a complete chapel, where the names of the men who have fallen may be recorded, and the colours of local regiments may be hung and anniversary and memorial services may be held.

The Church of England Zenana Missionary Society, has assumed new responsibilities in taking over the women's work in the Diocese of Kwangsi-Hunan, in China. But nowadays "no retrenchment" does not mean a level expenditure; the cost of "carrying on" is everywhere increased. The women of India and China are waiting to be won. The future of India and China will depend very largely on the salvation of the women for Christ.

In the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan the first Dinka has been baptized, the outcome of the work set on foot in 1906.

THE LATE BISHOP OF LIBERIA.

THE *Mission Field* says: "News has been received of the death in Liberia, West Africa, of the negro Bishop, Samuel David Ferguson. He was an American negro, who went to Liberia in 1848, when seven years old. After being educated at a Mission school in Liberia he was ordained deacon in connection with the Mission of the American Episcopal Church in 1865, and was consecrated as bishop in 1885. There have only been three negro bishops in charge of dioceses in West Africa, a bishop of San Salvador in the seventeenth century, Bishop Crowther, of the Niger, and Bishop Ferguson, of Liberia. The last, like Bishop Crowther, was a most earnest and devout Christian, but in no one of the three cases have the results of their work from a missionary standpoint proved satisfactory. We are keenly anxious to see the creation of a local episcopate in India, China, and Japan, but it is more than doubtful whether the time has yet come to place so heavy a burden as the superintendence and government of a diocese upon the West African negro. At the same time the development of a purely African Church is the goal towards which all missionary work in West Africa must be directed."

CONVINCING PROOF.

IN addressing a missionary meeting in York the other day, Rear-Admiral Winnington Ingram, a brother of the Bishop of London, compared the present-day view of missionary work with that which was commonly held some years ago. When he entered the Navy, he said the word missionary was a term people despised, but all great men believed in foreign missions—it was only the stupid party and the nobodies who did not. One of those nobodies who went out to the Fijis asked of a former cannibal: "You don't think much of the missionaries, do you?" The reply he received was: "If the missionaries had not come I should have killed and eaten you half an hour ago."

It is stated in a recent English paper that during the Church year 1915-1916 there were only 373 men admitted to the diaconate as compared with 670 in 1914-1915. If the war continues another year, it is estimated that there will be a shortage of nearly 1,000 men in orders in 1918.

The Diocese of Saskatchewan has now some fifty-eight clergy as compared with eighty-three years ago.

The Church Times says:—"We have more than once stated objections to the military rank, titles, and uniforms imposed on Army Chaplains. A new Army order dealing with the 'shoulder straps, gorget patches, and forage cap,' prescribed for their use, touches the sore point. To what purpose are these things ordered? Are they necessary? They are not found necessary for the *aumoniers* of the French Army, who wear the ordinary cassock of a priest, distinguished only by an armlet indicating their service. They are not found necessary for those Russian chaplains whose heroic conduct is described in our columns to-day. They are not found necessary for chaplains in the British Navy. What may be necessary is to emphasize the spiritual character of the chaplain's work. Do shoulder strap and gorget patch help him?"

A famous missionary in the Grahamstown Diocese, the Rev. S. W. Cox, has been obliged through ill-health to retire from active work after thirty-eight years' service. Up to 1878 the Church had no work going on in the Herschel District. In that year Mr. Cox went there and held Christmas services under the trees. There was not one communicant other than the members of the Mission staff. In 1896 there were hundreds, some of them walking from five to fifteen miles to Holy Communion. During the intervening years there had been more than a thousand baptisms. It was a wonderful union of races—Fingoes, Kaffirs, Basutos, half-castes, and English. Services had to be conducted at different out-stations in four languages.

Mr. Paul Shimun, a graduate of the General Theological Seminary, New York, barely escaped with his life in the recent Armenian massacres.

The Rev. R. H. Lambley, Unitarian minister of Horwich, Lancashire, has joined the Church of England and will be ordained by the Bishop of Birmingham.

The Ven. A. J. Balfour, D.C.L., Archdeacon of Quebec, has been appointed Bishop's Commissary during the absence of the Bishop of Quebec from his diocese.

The death of the Very Rev. the Dean of York (Dr. Purey-Cust) has led the *Church Times* to tell us that since 1747 there have been but five occupants of the deanery.

The Bishop of Kingston, Right Rev. E. J. Bidwell, is to receive the honorary degree of D.D. from the University of Oxford.

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AD CLERUM.

The Archbishop of Nova Scotia, writing from Halifax, calls attention to the opportunity for National Service offered by the return of our soldiers to their homes.

Halifax, St. John and Quebec are the three Discharge Depots. The Senior Port Chaplain, the Rev. M. La Touche Thompson, will notify the various clergymen concerned when soldiers are about to return to their parishes.

To help these men settle back into civilian life is of the utmost importance and deserve the best efforts the Church can put forth.

GEORGE ALGOMA.

Jan., 1917.

Bishop Bury, who had the oversight of the English chaplaincies in Europe before the war, has won the gratitude of the Germans for his care of Germans interned in England and in return has been allowed to visit English prisoners at Ruhleben where his ministrations have been very highly appreciated.

January 30th in the English Calendar, is still legally the day to be kept in memory of the Martyrdom of King Charles I. The special service that was provided for it was wrongly and under a misapprehension by the official printers removed from the Book of Common Prayer in 1859.

From all parts of the Mission field occupied by the C.M.S. the cry for workers is urgent, and yet the Society is faced with a severe shrinkage in income, and the prospect of few, if any, male recruits for the work. Up to the end of November the income received is behind that of the corresponding period of last year, and the deaths and retirements of members of the staff exceed in number the recruits sent out.

The Bishop of Massachusetts, who is in charge of the raising of the \$5,000,000 for the clergy Pension Fund of the American Church, announced that \$4,000,000 of the amount was subscribed before Jan. 1st. He has no doubt that the remaining \$1,000,000 will be raised before March 1st.

The Bishop of Madras said recently that the great mass movements towards Christianity in India has had a greater effect on the highly educated Brahmins than any intellectual arguments had done.

The Bishop of Springfield, U.S.A., who before his consecration in 1904 was known as Father Osborne, S.S.J.E., has announced his intention of resigning his see on the grounds of failing health.

EXPENSE FUND AND 1917 SYNOD.

WE WOULD CALL ATTENTION TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CANON IN REGARD TO THIS FUND.

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