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THE EDITOR'S CORNER

We regret very much that this issue of the A.M.N. is so late in making its appearance. Our material was in the hands of the printers in good time, but the pressure of election printing upon the printers made it impossible for them to provide us with our copy until last week. The November-December issue will be rushed with all possible speed.

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We have at hand a delightful book with the title "An English Parson in America." It is an account of an exchange made between the Parish of Easington, Durham and St. Peters, Niagara Falls, U.S.A., as related by the Rev. James Duncan, rector of Easington. The book is very readable and is filled with touches of humour. It also contains strewed comments on contemporary life in the United States and Canada. It is a valuable addition in cementing the friendship of the Church in England and the Church on this continent. More of these exchanges would bind the various branches of the Anglican Communion together. For an evening of pleasant reading we would commend this book. It is published by The Churchman Publishing Co., 33 and 34 Craven St., London W.C.2.

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McGREGOR BAY

On Sunday August 19th, less than two months after the blessing of the ground for the Church of St. Christopher, McGregor Bay held a service in the new building. The

chancel is up and was crowded with people. About sixty inside and twenty outside. The people plan to get on with the body of the Church at once, and they deserve a lot of credit. All they have done is paid for, and much of the work has been freely done. ∴ Laus Deo!

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IN MEMORIAM

Percival John Knight Law, Priest

Word has been received from England of the death of a former priest of this Diocese, the Rev. Percival John Knight Law, who passed away at Marston Trussell Rectory, Northamptonshire, on Saturday, November 10th.

Mr. Law was born in England. He was ordained deacon and priest by the late Archbishop Thorneloe in the years 1912-14. He served as assistant priest in St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie, from 1912 to 1914, and as rector of Huntsville 1914 to 1925. He was then transferred to the Diocese of Albany, and spent eleven years in the American Church. Returning to England in 1936 he became rector of Marston Trussell in the Diocese of Peterborough, a position he held until the time of his death.

Requiescat in pace.

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NEW AND RENEWAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Rev. H. W. Jarvis, North Bay; Mrs. Leo N. Ecclestone, Bracebridge; Mrs. I. Dormer, Sault Ste. Marie; Mrs. E. H. Flabman, Huntsville; Mrs. W. Lee, Gar-

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ORDINATION SERVICE

“It appertaineth to the office of a Deacon in the Church where he shall be appointed to serve, to assist the priest in divine service, and specially, when he ministereth the Holy Communion, and to help him in the distribution thereof, and to read Holy Scriptures and Homilies in the Church; and to instruct the youth in catechism in the absence of the Priest; to baptize infants; and to preach if he be admitted thereto by the Bishop. And furthermore, it is his office, where provision is so made, to search for the sick, poor an impotent people of the Parish, to intimate their estates, names, and places where they dwell, unto the Curate that by his exultation they may be relieved by the alms of the Parishioners, or others.”

With these solemn words The Right Rev. William Wright, Lord Bishop of Algoma, raised to the diaconate, Kenneth George Rutter of Bracebridge, and Reginald John Seymour Inshaw of Emsdale, in the impressive service of Ordination at St. Thomas' Church, Bracebridge, on St. Bartholomew's Day.

The mellow tones of St. Thomas' bell summoned relatives and interested friends of both candidates at 10:30 o'clock on Friday, August 24 to the service of the Ordering of Deacons. The church was never more beautiful. Summer sunlight drifted softly through its stained glass windows, while candles glowed on the Altar aainst crimson and white gladioli and the Bishop in scarlet and gold cape and mitre all added to the dignified ceremony.

The service began with the singing of the processional hymn, “The

Church's One Foundation” and this was followed, after a short period of prayer, by the sermon, preached by the Rev. A. E. Haldenby of Emsdale. Mr. Haldenby explained clearly and thoroughly the duties and the importance of Deacons in the Church. After the sermon the presentation of candidates was made by the Venerable Archdeacon J. S. Smedley of Port Arthur.

The Litany was sung by the Rector, the Rev. S. M. Craymer, and the choir led the singing of the responses. After the Litany the Lord Bishop began the Holy Communion Service. The Epistle was read by Rural Dean Cyril Peto of Parry Sound and the Gospel was read by the Rev. R. J. S. Inshaw. The Lord Bishop was the celebrant of the Communion Service at which only the Ordinands, their families, and personal friends communicated.

The pronouncement by His Lordship of the Benediction brought this beautiful service to a close.

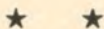
After the service a delightful luncheon was served in Browning Memorial Hall by a group of ladies from the Church, to the Candidates, their friends and relatives and the visiting clergy and their wives and friends.

Visiting Clergy included Archdeacon J. B. Lindsell; Archdeacon J. S. Smedley, Port Arthur; the Rev. Jas. Hinchliffe, Huntsville; the Rev. Allen Haldenby, Emsdale; the Rev. L. Willis, Sundridge; Rural Dean Cyril Peto, Parry Sound; the Rev. Arthur Chabot, Coniston; the Rev. R. Haddon, Chapleau; Canon Cyril Goodier, Haileybury; Canon Hankinson, Milford Bey; the Rev. Charles Large.

North Bay; the Rev. Gerald Moffat, Toronto; the Rev. T. J. Lake, Harrow, the Rev. F. F. Nock, Sudbury; the Rev. Poole, Peterboro; Fr. Morley, Fr. McCausland and Bro. James of the S.S.J.E., Bracebridge.

At Matins on Sunday the Rev. Kenneth Rutter delivered his first sermon from St. Thomas' Church pulpit after his Ordination, to a large congregation. At the close of

the service he was presented with a purse of money from the congregation. This presentation was made by C. R. Wright, B.A., People's Warden. Other presentations were made by Mrs. G. H. O. Thomas on behalf of the Woman's Auxiliary and Mrs. C. R. Wright on behalf of the Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. These gifts included a Green Stole and a black Clerical Scarf.



THE W.A. IN JAPAN

"The W.A. in Japan was begun forty years ago. One great characteristic of the members of the W.A.," writes Bishop Yashiro, "is that they show great enthusiasm and joy in their work of service. In 1945 when the war was over the Church sought to rise again from the utter destruction, and they set about collecting funds to build again on the ashes of the old churches. Chaplain Marsh, Sgt. Cutting and PFC Vaught helped us at that time and we held a bazaar to raise funds. The W.A. women were up at three in the morning to start preparations for the day. The chairman, Mrs. Haze, was engrossed in the bazaar when a messenger came with the news that her house had been burnt to the ground. The reward she got for having given the whole day and more to the Church was this disaster. When I went to visit her, she stood there among the ruins and said "But Bishop, if we think of God's mercy to us up to today we can only be full of thankfulness. I must work harder for the Church." She said this in a half prayerful voice. . . .

"Previous to the War the W.A. and the Mission Boards of the Japanese Church had sent nine missionaries abroad, three men and two women to Formosa, one man to Sakhalien, and three men to Manchuria. They had also sent books to Brazil. When these missionaries returned from time to time, they gave reports on their work and appealed for more help in various districts. No Church can be vital if concentrated on itself and this missionary work was proof of the vitality of the Church here.

"Unfortunately the war has shorn the Japanese Empire of Formosa, Korea, and other territories, and the missionaries abroad have had to come back. The Church of Japan is now turned in on herself and the work of the W.A. has had to be directed for the time being to the reconstruction of the Churches in this country. We look forward to the time again when the Church here and the W.A. can do work outside her own boundaries for the sake of her own health, as well as the spread of the Gospel throughout the world."

DEANERY DOINGS

ALGOMA DEANERY

Algoma Anglicans gathered at Garden River Sunday for their annual open air service which this year was forced indoors because of inclement weather.

Worshippers adjourned to the beautiful little mission church of St. John when rain fell in the afternoon.

The service was sponsored by the Rev. A. L. Privett, priest-in-charge of the mission church. He was assisted by the Rev. D. H. Dixon of Richards Landing.

Guest speaker was Canon J. A. Watton of Kirkland Lake who gave an inspirational sermon, stressing the importance of encouraging young men into the ministry to "ensure the spreading of the glorious news of our Lord's triumph far and wide."

Two hymns—"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" and "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"—were sung in Ojibway by members of St. John's Choir.

After paying tribute to the Deanery Laymen's Council and all those who assisted at the service, the Bishop of Algoma, said the closing prayers and pronounced Benediction.

Other clergy in attendance were the Very Rev. W. Bruce Jennings, the Rev. Canon F. W. Colloton, Rev. R. F. Webb, the Rev. H. Peeling.

Members of the choir taking part in the service were Charlie Pine, Charlie Whiteloon, Elizabeth McCoy, Annie Abtossway, Doreen Pine, Johnny Pine, Geraldine Pine and Mrs. Dan Pine. Accompanists were Gertie Pine and Aubrey Bland.

The offertory is devoted entirely to the Bursary Fund now being raised by the Laymen's Council. Its purpose is to assist young men from the Anglican parishes in their training for the ministry.

Garden River is an historic place. It was established as a village as early as 1836. The Anglican mission to the Ojibways which was started in Sault Ste. Marie in 1832 was continued at Garden River making the mission the oldest in the Diocese of Algoma.

St. John's Church, which is the second church erected after the original building was destroyed, was built in 1883. Visitors are invited to see this fine old church.

St. John's Cemetery is of interest to the visitor as some of the rare Indian grave houses are still wonderfully preserved.

MANITOULIN DEANERY

As Manitoulin Deanery has received a large share of the grants from the Algoma Mission Fund in the past, the serious situation facing the Diocese in the depletion of this fund is giving serious concern in Manitoulin Deanery. The Lord Bishop of the Diocese has recently appealed to each mission to endeavour to increase the amount that it contributes to the salary of the Clergy.

To bring this matter to the attention of the laymen in the Deanery a committee of Laymen was recently formed under the chairmanship of Mr. George Bishop of Sheguiandah. Mr. Bishop has extended an invitation to the laymen of the Deanery to attend a supper meeting at Red Lodge, Sheguiandah in the latter part of October.

As a first step in tackling the problems of Deanery Finance it was agreed by representatives from most of the Parishes at a meeting held at Little Current under the chairmanship of Canon R. W. Stump, Rural Dean, on Friday October 12th, to allocate the amount of Apportionments for the next three years as follows, Espanola 20 per cent., Little Current 20 per cent, Gore Bay 20 per cent, Manitowaning 10 per cent, Whitefish Falls 9 per cent, Silverwater 6per cent, Mindemoya 6 per cent, Sheguiandah 5 per cent and Spanish River 4 per cent.

This agreement will let each Parish know what it will be expected to pay and thereby enable the Parishes to be in a better position to consider how much it can increase its stipend Quota.

S. E. RICHARDS (Secretary).

MUSKOKA W.A. DEANERY

The seventh annual Woman's Auxiliary Conference of Muskoka Deanery was held at All Saints Church, Burks Falls, on Thursday, October 18th, and was a very successful event.

At 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion was administered to 103 communicants with the Rev. J. Watson of St. Johns Church, Gravenhurst, as celebrant, assisted by the Rev. R. Inshaw of Emsdale, and the Rev. F. E. Jewell of Burks Falls.

During the luncheon hour at the Parish Hall, Reeve Stanley Darling spoke a few words of welcome to the delegates.

The afternoon session opened with the W.A. Hymn — "The Love of Christ Constraineth," and was followed by prayers led by the Rev. L. Willis of St. Paul's Church, Sundridge, and Mrs. Stan Wurm, of Magnetawan read the Scripture.

Mrs. Milner of Midland, Vice-President of the Deanery, presided and Mrs. Fred Bennett of Burks Falls acted as secretary.

The delegates were warmly welcomed by Mrs. Percy Hares, president of Burks Falls W.A. and Mrs. Milner replied to the welcome.

One of the highlights of the meeting was in having the Right Rev. W. L. Wright, Bishop of Algoma, and Mrs. Wright present. Mrs. Wright was the guest speaker for the occasion and conveyed warm greetings from Mrs. Allen, Diocesan president of the W.A., Sault Ste. Marie, also from Mrs. Minchin of Nipissing Deasery.

The speaker chose as her topic, "Where there is no vision the people perish." She paid tribute to Mrs. W. H. Hunter who served the W.A. for fifty years and also spoke of the early missionary vision of the late Mrs. Roberta Tilton founder of the W.A., which started with seven members and now records over 50,000 members.

To be vital Church Christians we must have a wider vision than our own Parochial Parish. We must pray, study, and live for Foreign missions.

A standing vote of thanks was given Mrs. Wright for her inspiring address.

Splendid reports were presented by the different branches of the Deanery.

His Lordship, the Bishop, was then called to speak to the delegation. He thanked Mrs. Milner and all members of the W.A. for the steady stream of prayer and service and gave considerable information on new missions in the west end of

the Diocese and appealed for more financial aid to assist young men called to the work of the ministry.

Miss Wells of Orillia, formerly of the Leeward Islands read an appeal from Anglican Churches in the British West Indies which were destroyed by hurricanes and earthquakes. A special collection was taken for this worthy project and will be forwarded shortly to help rebuild one of these churches.

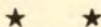
Miss Bessie Quirt, of Sundridge, matron of Fort George School gave a brief account of some amusing in-

cidents in the lives of Indian students.

Votes of thanks were extended to all speakers and clergy who officiated and to Burks Falls W.A. for their hospitality.

An invitation from Huntsville W.A. to have the 1952 Deanery was accepted. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

Delegates were then invited to the Parish Hall for afternoon tea with the Burks Falls W.A. as hostesses which brought to a close a most pleasant and successful conference.



NEW LIFE FOR ALGOMA

On a rolling plain midway between Copper Cliff and Creighton Mine a brand new community is in the making, a community of neat modern homes, a large public school stores, and other facilities. It's the town of Lively, being built by Inco to help carry out a major expansion of its mining operations in the Sudbury District.

During the past 10 years Inco has been engaged in a continuing programme of extending its regular underground operations at Creighton, Garson, Levack and Frood mines and, in addition, new underground mines are being brought into production at Stobie, Murray, and Creighton. This expansion will offset tonnage obtained from the Company's great open pits, where operations are scheduled to be completed about 1953.

Considerable increase in manpower and shift of residence are among the many far-reaching complications involved in the conversion

to all-underground mining, and an important feature of the long-range programme has been construction of new homes, and enlargement of educational, recreational, and other welfare facilities, for Inco employees. Since 1941 Inco has allocated for this purpose more than \$9,000,000. It has either built or let contracts for 865 new dwelling units, and has built three more large employees' clubs, a curling rink, and additions to schools in Company towns. It has also given substantial support to various community projects in Sudbury.

The new town of Lively, named after a veteran employee of the Company who has risen in the ranks miner to mine superintendent, is springing up to accommodate the movement of manpower required for Creighton Mine, where in addition to the expansion of underground operations a 10,000-ton concentrator is about to swing into full production.

In a picturesque setting on the south rim of the famous Sudbury Basin, about 12 miles from Sudbury, 1,100 acres of rich farmland was purchased for the Lively townsite. The project was pushed with the vigour characteristic of Northern Ontario's mining industry. Sewer and water services are being installed for 450 homes, and several contracting firms have put their men to work on housing construction. In this hive of activity during the past 12 months 125 homes have been completed and occupied, and the balance will be built this year.

Ten different architectural styles have been used on the dwellings at Lively to produce a pleasing variety of design. Some of the homes are bungalow-type, others storey-and-a-half; some are of insul brick, others are stucco, and others of wooden sheeting. They have from four to six rooms, hot air furnaces, hardwood floors, full concrete basements, and all modern facilities.

Lively's public school has been built to the latest educational requirements in line with the plan to make the new community one of Canada's most modern mining towns. A seven-room section has already been completed, and construction of another 10 rooms has commenced.

In the town's smartly designed business block there will be a grocery store, a clothing and dry-goods store, a post office with lunch counter and news stand, a drug store, a barber shop and beauty parlour, and completely appointed offices for a doctor and a dentist. A portion of the second floor will con-

tain apartments, and the remainder will be a teachers' residence with several private rooms, a lounge, and kitchen.

Streets are being graded and concrete sidewalks poured. The residential lots, 60 x 110 ft., will all be landscaped. The wide streets have been laid out attractively in a semi-circular pattern to fit the contours of the land, and the slopes and valleys of the terrain will provide opportunity for effective landscaping.

Property has been set aside for the construction of churches, a parking lot, and a sports field.

The Company has also made available at Lively building sites for Inco pensioners who wish to erect their own homes.

Additions at Other Towns

Housing development got under way at Levaack Mine in 1943, when 50 new homes were added to the townsite, and since then 130 have been built along with the addition of several rooms to the school. At Copper Cliff during the past four years 100 new homes have been built, and additions made to the public and high schools. At Creighton Mine development has included 70 new homes and a four-room addition to the school. New homes have also been erected at Murray Mine, Garson Mine, Frood-Stobie Mine and Willisville since 1941, bringing to a total of more than 1,700 the number of employee dwellings owned by the Company in the Sudbury District.

INDUCTIONS

REV. W. W. JARVIS

The Service of Institution and Induction, which is of deep interest to all Church people, was conducted by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese at St. Paul's, Fort William, on Monday, September 24th.

The Rev. W. W. Jarvis, for over twelve years Rector of St. John's, North Bay, became Rector of this Lakehead parish.

The Bishop was assisted by the Archdeacon of Algoma, the Venerable J. S. Smedley, and other clergy of the Lakehead parishes were present and took part in the interesting perambulation of the essential parts of the church in the Induction Service.

We were honoured in the Diocese and at St. Paul's, by the presence of the Most Rev. Philip Carrington, Archbishop of Quebec, who preached the sermon. The Churchwardens, E. E. Webster and F. T. Delaty, who also took an official part in this service, presented to their new Rector a silver key with a miniature photograph of the church building fitted into the handle. The key is the artistic work of a parishioner.

A large congregation witnessed the ceremonies and St. Paul's notable choir, under the direction of Mr. F. Parish, led in appropriate music. Following the Service all adjourned to the Parish Hall for a formal reception under the chairmanship of Mr. T. F. Delgaty, and a happy evening was enjoyed.

W.W.J.

REV. A. E. HALDENBY

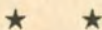
The congregation of Holy Trinity, Little Current in the Deanery of Manitoulin was delighted to have the Bishop induct their new incumbent, the Rev. Allan E. Haldenby. Canon Haines was incumbent of Holy Trinity for almost ten years and it was something new for many to witness an induction service.

It was a colourful service with the choir in their blue robes leading the procession. then the wardens, then the clergy of the Deanery with visiting clergy, then Mr. Sissenah as Bishop's Chaplain and then the Bishop. They entered the church singing "Rejoice, the Lord is King." When all had taken their places, the Bishop began the stately service. The Rev. S. E. Richards of Gore Bay read the opening prayers. The Rural Dean, Canon R. W. Stump of Whitefish Falls read the License. The Rector's Warden, Mr. D. R. Forbes, said the words of presentation, as the People's Warden, Mr. C. W. Mumford presented the keys of the Church.

After singing the hymn "We love the place, O God," the perambulations began, with the following clergy reading at the different stations: the Rev. Geo. Doolanof, Minnow Lake and Lockerby, at the font; the Rev. S. W. L. Gilbert of Espanola at the Prayer Desk; the Rev. C. . Passey of Manitowaning at the Lectern; the Rev. Gilbert Thompson of Copper Cliff at the pulpit; and then at the Holy Table, the Bishop read the charge to the incumbent and the people. The hymn "Take my life and let it be" was

sung and the Bishop then preached, taking as his text, "Finally my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might." He paid tribute to the faithful work of Canon Richard Haines, the past incumbent. Then he dealt with the immediate situation and said the service was a challenge to the people and the incumbent to build a stronger church. They should strive to become self-supporting. He quoted the deliberations of General Synod and said it was an urgent matter that all churches and church members do their utmost to improve the situation. Regular church attendance was a requisite to make strong

Christians and to forward the Church's work. He hoped that within a year Holy Trinity would have to enlarge their church building. The offertory hymn was "Work for the day is coming." After the service the congregation and friends were able to meet the Bishop at the home of Mrs. N. Trotter. The happiness of this gathering augured well towards the answering of the Bishop's challenge. Among the visitors were the Rev. A. L. Chabot of Coniston, who was ordained with the incumbent, and several people from Silver Water, where Mr. Haldenby served as student for two summers.



TRINITY CONVOCATION

Algoma Diocese received high honour in September when at a Special Convocation of Trinity College, Toronto, the Degree of Doctor of Divinity (Honoris Causa) was conferred on the Rev. Canon F. W. Colloton, secretary-treasurer of the Diocese of Algoma; and the Degree of Doctor of Divinity (Jure Dignitatis) was conferred upon the Very Rev. W. B. Jennings, Dean-Elect of Algoma.

The Lord Bishop of Algoma the Rt. Rev. W. L. Wright, D.D., spoke to the large gathering of dignitaries and friends concerning the work and the high esteem in which both the Canon and the Dean were held in his Diocese. Mentioning the long term of office of Canon Colloton as Secretary-Treasurer for the Diocese commencing in 1917 and also mentioned the service to the Church rendered by the Dean in his work in the Air Force.

The Dean gave the morning addresses at the service of Holy Communion during the Trinity Alumni.

The Convocation address was delivered by the Rev. Canon F. W. Colloton, D.D., in his usual dignified and unassuming scholarly manner. he has kindly forwarded portions of his address which will be of great interest to all in our Diocese.

**Extract from
Convocation Address
University of Trinity College
September 19th, 1951
Canon F. W. Colloton**

I have been told that this degree has been conferred upon me "in recognition of service to the Church in the Diocese of Algoma." So perhaps a few words regarding that Diocese would not be inappropriate, as in its origin it has some relation to Trinity College.

The work of the Church in the northern part of this Province began in 1832, when a young Irishman, William McMurray, was sent as a missionary to the Indians at Sault Ste. Marie, by a missionary society formed at the capital of the Province, in which Archdeacon Strachan, later first Bishop of Toronto, was one of the moving spirits. There he laboured with great devotion and considerable success for a number of years; and he and his pioneer work are gratefully remembered by the people of Algoma, and more particularly by the descendants of his Indian converts.

In later years, the Ven. William McMurray, Archdeacon of Niagara rendered valuable service to this College; and in recognition of this his portrait hangs on its walls, with an inscription describing him as one of the founders of Trinity. This is the first link between the Diocese of Algoma and Trinity College.

When William McMurray came to Sault Ste. Marie, all of Upper Canada was in the Diocese of Quebec. In 1839 the Diocese of Toronto was formed, including the whole Province, and the Ven. John Strachan was chosen as its first Bishop.

The idea of a separate missionary diocese for the northern part of the Province originated in the mind and heart of the founder of the College, Bishop Strachan. As early as 1850, just at the time when his energies were concentrated on the foundation of Trinity in place of King's College which had been lost to the Church, the Bishop wrote to the Church authorities in England advocating the division of his vast diocese by the creation of three new dioceses. During his lifetime this was par-

tially put into effect by the formation of the Diocese of Huron and Ontario. But in addition he had advocated a missionary diocese in the north, which he proposed to call the Diocese of St. Mary; and he had the vision and foresight to see in the little fishing village and trading post on the shore of the St. Mary's River the promise of a great future, and he named Sault Ste. Marie as the headquarters of the proposed diocese. He did not live to see this plan accomplished. But six years after his death (1873) the Diocese of Algoma was set apart as a missionary jurisdiction, and the Ven. Frederick D. Fauquier, Archdeacon of Brant, was consecrated its first Bishop in St. James' Cathedral, Toronto.

It is not generally known that after Bishop Strachan's death, there was a strong movement to make the proposed diocese a memorial to him, and to give it the name of "The Diocese of Strachan." It was proposed also that, if this were done, the name of the village of Sault Ste. Marie should be changed to "Strachan." The principal inhabitants were canvassed as to their willingness to have this change made, and they are said to have expressed full approval. It is perhaps well that the beautiful and historic name, given during the French regime in honour of Our Lady, was not altered; but we can rejoice that the good Bishop's plan was carried into effect so soon after his passing, and that the site which he chose as headquarters of the missionary work in the north is now the See City of the Diocese of Algoma.

So there is a very close connection historically between this University and the Diocese in which I have the honour to serve.

I have thought it might be of some interest to point out that Algoma as well as Trinity College was the result of the statesmanlike vision of that great man, Bishop Strachan. In each case his faith was justified. Trinity College next year will complete the first century of its exist-

tence, and its record is one in which we all take pride. Algoma has twenty-two years to go before celebrating its first centenary, but I venture to say that by that time our record too will show continued advance in the extension of the Kingdom of God.



A MEDICAL VENTURE INTO TIBET

Harry W. Williams, F.R.C.S.
Edinburgh

Any missionary working in The Lady Willingdon Hospital, Manali, is constantly reminded of the regions beyond. Up the bridle path past the hospital and over the wooden cantilever bridge, pass the caravans to Lahoul, Ladakh, Spiti, and Tibet. Many pause to bring in their sick, so that the little hospital itself resembles a caravan serai, with the blending of costumes, languages, smells and religions. Yellow hatted lamas Ladakhi belles, ruddy cheeked villagers from Spiti and shaggy Tibetan shepherds in flop-eared hats.

This year a new venture was planned and carried through, the two valleys of Lahoul being visited with a travelling dispensary. This remote Tehsil of India is cut off from the rest of the world for more than half of the year; it is sparsely populated by a people of mixed Tibetan stock. It has a small civil dispensary in the summer. Located at Keylang, the doctor does not move from his stations so that many of our patients had not previously tasted Western medicines.

Intrepid pioneers of the Moravian Mission opened work in Keylang in 1856. It is one of the tragic reverses of the Church Universal that the

station was closed twelve years ago. We held a service with the one surviving Christian family. Under the Moravian Mission evangelical tours always involved a medical kit. In fact the old Government Gazeteers quote this as the only medical relief in the area.

The party consisted of the Rev. Eldon Davies; Dr. Donald Ebright; Dr. Harry Williams; Nanak Chand, the compounder; Tashi Ram and Sunam Ram, the Lahouli ponymen and their seven animals. All food, some fodder and fuel had to be carried as well as medicines, surgical kit, gospels and Don Ebright's precious kit-bag of cameras. In fifteen days we covered 170 miles including two ascents of the Rohtang Pass and one of the Bara Lacha La, treated 400 patients and cooked all, and enjoyed much, of our food.

The rough track climbed along precipitous slopes, stooped to cross the foaming rivers on suspension bridges, was lost under the snouts of low 10,000 feet and rising to 16,000 glaciers and snow drifts, never below 10,000 feet and rising to 16,000 feet at Bara Lacha La. Anywhere along this route we were stopped by groups of villagers appraised of our coming. At the night's halt, and occasionally en route, the full kit

was unpacked, but both doctor and compounder had to carry haversacks of supplies for these wayside halts. Usually one member of the group that gathered could muster a little Hindustani, but occasionally Tibetan and dumb show had to suffice to describe symptoms.

Diseases were somewhat monotonous: tuberculosis, syphilis, the rheumatic diseases, anthelmintic infestations, inflammatory and deficiency diseases of the eye. Only two major operations were performed though others are booked for Manali this autumn. Two lepers were diagnosed, the first in the most dramatic setting. At noon on the second day I was sitting on the cairn beneath the prayer flags that flutter on the summit of the Rohtang Pass, I watched three tiny dots on the snow materialize into three Lahoulis who presently sang out for confirmation that they had found the Manali doctor. They had crossed the Pass on the previous day and hurried past us to the hospital, retracing their steps with equal celerity. In accepting the diagnosis they showed typical Lahouli stoicism, and after a short discussion set out for the mission leper home near Palampur.

Some of the dispensaries were in novel situations as, for example, at the Gimure Gomba. After an eleven mile stae we were guests of Thakur Manal Chand at the extensive property he owns below the monastery. As we climbed the goat track up the hillside we were accorded a royal welcome. The flat roof was lined by monks in stiff yellow "mitres," a colourful array against snowy peaks and clear sky, as the long copper trumpets blared forth to an accompaniment of tympanies that Tchaikovsky might have en-

vied. After lengthy courtesies we were given carpets on the roof of the "cloisters" whilst in the monastery proper the monks were dressing for their annual miracle play. Between the acts of this astonishing performance the ruling Thakur, Partab Chand, would stand up beside us and shout in Tibetan an invitation such as, "All those with sore eyes come up here," and for twenty minutes we would be surrounded by patients. They stirred up the dry plaster of the mud roof, laughing uproariously as Protagal trickled down Mongolian cheeks into wide open mouths. Red robed monks jostled with Kulu-capped drovers and laughing women dressed in their best black gowns and ornate jewellery. There and then the Thakur invited us to stay at his ancestral castle on our return journey and to hold another dispensary there. On the open balcony of this sixty roomed castle perched two thousand feet above the river Bhaga, under the eye of an ancient tower from which bowmen once fired on Tartar invaders, where pungent animal smells penetrate even to the guests' rooms, we held another novel dispensary.

As we turned at the summit of the Bara Lacha pass, even the fitful gleams of sunshine vanished and fine snowflakes began to drift down upon us, whilst the distant peaks were veiled in a blizzard. We glissaded down the steep snow slopes for two miles before we were halted by a shout from an encampment pitched on a rocky outcrop. A large caravan had halted to watch the weather before attempting the crossing. The tent in which we were invited to see patients, one with a malarial relapse, had walls stoutly built of sacks of

merchandise above which the tent canvas was stretched whilst the floor was most comfortable with piles of Yarkandi rugs that are used in place of saddles on the pack animals. The whole party asked for cream for cracked lips.

In camp patients arrived at all hours, waiting outside the tent or resthouse, none too patiently, before breakfast, during meals and even at dusk. Tibetan gospels were much in demand, and immediately read to the rest of the group. In Keylang I met some old patients from Manali including one, who growing tired of hospitalization, had crossed the Roh-tang Pass in his plaster jacket applied some two months earlier for spinal caries! The plaster was still serving its pupose though scarred and dirty.

For two weeks we lived in an alien world, where the values of our permanent mission stations often seemed inapplicable. We were accepted by these Buddhist people as friends. To a doctor who has spent all his service in India in well-equipped hospitals, where fatigue always has the satisfying accompaniment of long operation lists completed and impressive statistics of accurately diagnosed and treated patients, such an itinerant mission was mentally and spiritually stimulating; rich in personalities if not in impressive cures. It reminded one that efficient medical services can never be an end in itself for the missionary. If Christ's healing mission was an expression of God's timeless sympathy with suffering, then such simple service to an isolated, home-spun community, as that of Lahoul has its place in the medical missionary polity of to-day.

THE MISSIONARY PRAYER CORNER

Let us give thanks:

- For the faith and vision with which the Church pursues its missionary vocation.
- For the healing ministrations of the Shikarpur eye hospital among the people of India. (This eye hospital in Sind is the largest in the world. In less than two months the C.M.S. staff performed 958 cataract operations and an even greater number of other eye operations and general surgery.

Let us pray:

- For our Primate, the Most Rev. Walter Barfoot of Edmonton, that God the Holy Spirit will enable him for every task in the high office to which he has been called.
- For the Bishops of our Canadian Church, that each may be granted the encouragement of a whole-hearted response in his diocese to the effort being made to strengthen the Church through the Every Member Visitation and Canvass this Autumn.
- For the medical work being carried on in the diocese-to-be in the Punjab. (Instead of three hospitals, four leper homes, and the Women's Christian Medical College at Ludhiana in the larger area).
- That The Bishop's School for boys at Amman, Jordan, may increase in numbers, efficiency and influence until it becomes a powerful witness for Christ throughout the land.

Let us give thanks:

- For the work of the Rev. G. G. Nakayama of Coaldale, Alberta, among the Japanese on the Island

of Okinawa, in response to the invitation of the Protestant Episcopal Church. (Mr. Nakayama accompanied two young clergymen to Okinawa to assist them in the establishment of a Mission among the Japanese).

—As we come to the end of another year, for all that God has accomplished in His Church and through it.

Let us pray:

- That God will give power to the word spoken by the Rev. G. G. Nakayama as by radio he reaches into the homes of the people of Okinawa and as he visits nearby islands where the people had not heard the Christian message.
- That the members of our Church may be people of large vision, that they may lift up their eyes and

look with compassion on the people in many lands who do not know of God's love for them.

- That God will guide and bless Bishop Marsh of the Diocese of the Arctic who is now in England.
- That through the consecrated ministry of the doctors and nurses at the New Life Sanatorium in Japan, many Japanese may not only be healed in body, but receive the abundant life in Christ. (The new San began receiving patients about October 1st. By October 22nd the lower floor was filled. Delay in receiving furniture held up use of second floor. Patients "have never been in such a well-lighted roomy place before.")
- For the Rev. Tom Dustan and Mrs. Dustan as they resume their work at St. Paul's School, Palampur, following their furlough.



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