

18) which fortunately turned out very fine. Twelve clergymen were present, including Rural Dean Groulx and all the clergy who have occupied the mission for the last twenty years, viz., Rev. Messrs. Denroche, Low, Coleman and Osborne. The service was, of course, of a festal character, with processions, &c. The sermon in the morning was delivered by Rev. W. B. Carey, and in the evening by Rev. C. T. Denroche. An unusual feature on such occasions in country parishes was a choral celebration of the Holy Communion, at which the celebrant, Mr. Denroche, was assisted by Rev. G. J. Low. At the conclusion of the evening service the blessing was given by the Rural Dean. The church and parsonage are delightfully situated on a three-acre lot on a hillside, with the village at its foot in one direction, and a pretty little lake on the other. Between the services there was a general move towards a group of pine on the church lot, situated as if expressly for a picnic, where a pleasant afternoon was spent, the Oak Leaf band enlivening the intervals between speeches. As a country non-military band, their playing is very good, and their instruments well selected. The attendance of parishioners and others was well kept up during the day. The offertories, amounting to \$13.06, refreshments to \$160, and by new subscriptions, the debt on the church was reduced to \$400. The bell, from the "Buckeye" Foundry, cost \$118, and the windows, from Spence, of Montreal, \$130. On the inside the church is well furnished in ash and walnut; sittings for about 150; altar, re-table, credence, lectern, and handsome coronæ of brass. The beautiful Communion Service was the munificent gift of Mrs. Osborne. Outside the church, which has double lancet windows in the nave, is completed by a handsome tower and spire, surmounted by a floriated cross.

DIocese OF HURON.

[From our own Correspondent.]

SIMCOE.—Trinity Church, of which Rev. John Gemly is rector, was opened for Divine Service on Sunday the 22nd of October. The services were all largely attended. A number of clergy from the surrounding parishes were present and assisted at the services. At the morning service the Bishop of the Diocese preached from the text "And let them make Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them." A class of 22 candidates was presented by the rector to the Bishop for confirmation. The sermon at the afternoon service was preached by Dean Boomer, and at the evening service by Rev. Canon Innes. The offertory during the day amounted to over \$100. The cost of the edifice is about \$12,000.

The church, which is in the early English style, is built of red brick and faced throughout with finely dressed Ohio freestone. It is cruciform in shape, and consists of nave, transepts and chancel. The vestibule in front is 5x17 feet, with a belfry at the north-east corner. The main entrance to the church is through the vestibule. The nave, which is there entered, is 84 feet in length by 34 feet 6 inches in width, with a double row of pews on each side of the main aisle. The pews, which are of chestnut with oak ends and top rail, present a very handsome appearance. The roof within of the whole church is of open timber work sheathed with oiled chestnut, the beams being of a slightly darker hue. These beams, which support the roof, rest upon solid buttresses built in the main walls of the building. The font is placed on the left hand side of the entrance. The transepts, which extend from each side of the nave, are eleven feet deep by twenty-four feet in width, and when completely finished will contain two beautiful specimens of stained glass windows, to be placed there as memorials of loved ones departed. The chancel, containing the choir and sanctuary, is perhaps too small to be in proportion to the rest of the church. It is only 19x22 feet, and is entered by two steps, on either side of which is a prayer desk and clergyman's seat. A very handsome brass lectern has been ordered, and is expected to be in its place by Christmas. The choir stalls, two on either side of the choir, are built of carved oak and chestnut. The organ occupies the west side, and has been

entirely rebuilt since it was removed from the old church. It is intended to finish the southern wall of the chancel by a carved wooden panelling extending its full width. The table for the Holy Communion occupies its usual place. The remainder of the fittings of this portion of the building are not yet in place. The entrance to the choir is through the old vestry—a new one for the clergymen having been added on the opposite side of the chancel. The old vestry is assigned for the use of the choir. Under the main part of the nave a very commodious basement has been built. It is to be used especially as a Sunday School room. The Church is heated by two furnaces furnished by Palmerton & Madden, of this town. The Combination Gas Machine Co., of Detroit, have put in one of their machines, which furnishes seventy lights in the building. The entire fittings will be of polished brass, and will consist of standards in the main aisle—side brackets, and an eight-light gasifier from the archway between nave and chancel. From the brilliancy of the light with the temporary fixtures, as at the Sunday evening services, the Church will be as well lighted as churches in any city. At the Sunday evening service one could see to read in any part of the building without difficulty. In addition to the vestibule in front there are both east and west entrances, which, with the vestry doors, give five means of exit from the building in case of necessity. The windows on the sides and north ends of the nave are of antique stained glass, and when the memorial windows are placed in the transepts, all the windows in the Church will be of stained glass. The pulpit is not yet completed. It is to be of butternut and che-taut, and handsomely carved. The whole building reflects great credit upon the Architects, Messrs. Darling and Curry, and upon the Contractor, Mr. J. B. Crane.

The Bishop of the Diocese held an ordination at St. Paul's Church, London, on Sunday, the 29th of October. Mr. Hamilton, B. A., of Trinity College, Toronto, was admitted to the Order of Deacons, and Rev. H. D. Steele, Rev. T. Fisher, and Rev. John Hale were admitted to the Order of Priests.

BMN.—A Confirmation was held at Trinity Church on Thursday, the 26th of October. A large congregation was in attendance, and 58 candidates were presented to the Bishop by the Incumbent, Rev. Robert Wilson.

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DIocese OF RUPERT'S LAND.

[Editorial Correspondence.]

NELSON.—The new church at Nelson, South Manitoba, was recently consecrated by his Lordship the Bishop. The building is of solid brick, 42x26, with chancel 22x12, and has cost \$4,100. The petition to consecrate was presented by the Church Wardens and read by the Ven. Archdeacon Pinkham, acting for the Registrar of the Diocese. The Bishop and clergy, with the Church Wardens and Vestry, then walked from the chancel around the church repeating the 24th Psalm, after which the consecration service was continued and the deed of consecration signed. Morning Prayer was then said by the Rev. T. N. Wilson, Incumbent, assisted by the Archdeacon. His Lordship preached from Romans xv., verses 1 and 2. The collection amounted to \$207.50. In the evening the prayers were said by the Archdeacon, the lessons being read by Rev. J. Nelson Jones, Missionary at Penbina Crossing. The Bishop preached a very impressive sermon from the words "What think ye of Christ?" The offertory was \$51.45. The total amount during the day was \$258.95, which goes to reduce the debt of \$600. This is said to be the largest collection taken in the Diocese on an occasion of this kind. His Lordship and the Archdeacon returned the following Thursday to Winnipeg.

REGINA.—Since writing last week about Regina, we learn that the guarantee has been increased from \$500 to \$700. This is no doubt the largest sum ever pledged by a town two months old towards the support of one of our clergy. It is expected that this will be increased. The Bishop goes out at once to see the place and assist in organization.

WINNIPEG.—All Saints' Day was observed in Holy Trinity by a sermon at 11 a.m.; in Christ Church by a celebration at 8 a.m., and Evening Service and address at 7.30 p.m. In St. John's Cathedral there was service and Holy Communion. It being the commemoration day of the founding of the College the Bishop gave a historical sketch of the institution. There were present besides the Bishop Rev. Canon O'Meara, Dean of the College, Rev. Canon Matheson, deputy Head Master of the College School, Rev. A. L. Parker and H. T. Leslie, Masters, and Ven. Archdeacon Pinkham. At the close prizes were distributed to the students for the work of last term. The Governor-General's medal was awarded to Ernest Phair.

The following pastoral was read in all the Churches on Nov. 5th.

BISHOP'S COURT, WINNIPEG, OCT., 1882.

Reverend Brethren and Brethren of the Laity:

The State has called on us to keep a day of thanksgiving for the bountiful harvest a gracious God has been pleased to give to the Dominion. In this Province we have especial cause for thankfulness. There has been in the past year much prosperity and advance in our resources beyond all expectation.

The earthly blessings for which we return thanks are leading to an increased emigration and to a wide settlement of the land. The result is the existence of very large tracts of country in which not a few of the new settlers are members of our Church but in which we have no resident clergyman. In thirty-eight of the newly formed municipalities in Manitoba, embracing over seven hundred townships, there is no clergyman of our Church; yet there are few of these townships without settlers, and they are as a whole being rapidly taken up and sparsely settled. In several other municipalities, with from twelve to fourteen townships, there is only one clergyman.

But the growing deficiency of the supply of the ministrations of our Church to our people will be better understood from this further consideration. The Canada Pacific Railway, which is being carried west so rapidly, will probably reach this season the south branch of the Saskatchewan. In that case it will be carried across the new Province, of which Regina is the capital, and which is mainly in this Diocese.

Emigrants are going along with it and even ahead of it. There is an Indian Mission at the Touchwood Hills, but there is not yet a single clergyman of our Church at work among the settlers.

There cannot surely be a more worthy way of showing our gratitude for God's temporal mercies than by giving liberally, generously, even with some self-denial for the Home Mission Fund of the Diocese.

In appointing then the usual service for the day of thanksgiving, I would, in accordance with the resolution of Synod, ask that there be an Offertory for the Home Mission Fund, and, as probably many may be unable to be present on that day, I would further ask that an opportunity be given for additional offerings for this object on the following Sunday and that at least any proceeds of the collections on that Sunday over the usual collections be given to the Home Mission Fund.

I am, faithfully your Pastor and Bishop,

R. RUPERT'S LAND.

MORRIS.—Rev. Alfred Stunden, B. A., Curate of Holy Trinity, Winnipeg, has been appointed to Morris, vacant by the transfer of Rev. A. G. Pinkham to Headingly. He will enter on his duties about the second week in November. We are sorry to lose him from Winnipeg, where he has worked very faithfully and earnestly. Morris is about 30 miles from Winnipeg, and the C. P. R. South-Western Railway has lately tapped it.