

GRACE CHURCH.

Several meetings have already been held by the committee managing the details in connection with the production of Ben Hur, which is to take place about the middle of November. It promises to be a great success. The performance is largely spectacular and is based very largely upon the work of Lew Wallace. The performance is of a semi-religious nature and those who have witnessed it elsewhere pronounce it to be highly edifying.

A very interesting event took place at the residence of the Rev. J. F. Gorman, Friday evening, the 23rd Oct., when the choir of Grace Church were entertained at supper, and Mrs. L. K. Jones was presented with very handsome presents from both choir and congregation, in recognition of her long and faithful service in the choir, extending over a period of some six years. Addresses were also read from the rector, choir, and congregation. These addresses dwelt upon the good influence which Mrs. Jones had exerted upon the choir and her faithfulness in attendance both at choir practice and the service of the church.

All Church people have heard with the deepest regret of the death of Archbishop Benson. Grand and beautiful was his life, and his death equally so. He died, as a soldier should die, with his armour buckled on, discharging the duties of his sacred calling. The writer had the privilege of often seeing the Archbishop in London, presiding frequently at public meetings, and those who gazed upon his sweet face, a face so full of tenderness and sympathy that it seemed to combine in it all that was womanly and all that was manly,—never could forget the kind smile and courtly bearing of the man. He has been succeeded by an altogether different type of man. Both the late Archbishop and his successor were schoolmasters, but the schoolmaster was seldom manifested in the person or bearing of the former, whilst in the latter it was perhaps always a little too conspicuous.

At the October meeting of the communicants' class in Christ Church Cathedral, the Bishop was present and, after addressing the boys and girls, presented the confirmation certificates to those who were confirmed by him during the summer.

The annual church parade of all the military organizations in Ottawa was held on St. Luke's Day, Oct. 18, to the Cathedral. The following composed the line of march. The Governor General's Foot Guards, the 43rd Battalion, the Princess Louise Dragons,

and the Ottawa Field Battery. The Major-General commanding, the Honourable the Minister of Militia, the Adjutant-General, and other officers accompanied the parade. The usual service was sung and the sermon preached by the Venerable Archdeacon Lauder, chaplain of the Guards, on the subject of Christian manliness. The offertory was in behalf of the Orphans' Home.

THE programme for the quiet day for women to be held in Christ Church beginning Friday, November 20th, is to be as follows:—

Friday, 8 p.m., introductory address. Saturday, 7 a.m., Holy Communion; 9.30 a.m. matins and address, silent meditation and prayer; 12 o'clock, address; 3 p.m., address, silent meditation and prayer; 5 p.m., evensong and concluding address.

THE Bible classes at Christ Church are in full working order now, with bright prospects for a much larger attendance than last year. The same course of lessons is being given to the women on Tuesday and the men on Wednesday evenings, on "The Christian Life and Privileges."

THE annual statement of the work and finances of the Association for Intercessory Prayer will be presented at the November meeting. During the past year, meetings have been held every month except July, the monthly paper issued, and several new members added to the roll.

THE work of the Benevolent Society commences afresh this month, the annual meeting being held, and the collectors making their calls upon all members of the congregation.

THE Woman's Association, at their last meeting, decided to continue, as in past years, their short entertainments and reunions of the congregation once a month. The first of these was held on Thursday, Oct. 29, and proved a great success in every way.

THE Clerical Guild is meeting once more after a cessation of work during the summer. It has been decided to go back to the old custom of meeting at the houses of the different clergy in turn.

ANOTHER stained glass window has been presented to Christ Church. It was given by Mrs. F. C. Clenow, to the glory of God and in memory of her father, mother, and brother, the latter of whom was killed at Batoche. A small congregation of friends gathered on Sun-