



ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ST. CATHARINES.

For two years he lived in Toronto where he died in 1866 at the age of sixty-three.

The Rev. Henry Holland succeeded Dr. Atkinson.

In his time the parish was divided.

Christ Church was built in 1872, the first rector being the Rev. Mr. Shortt.

In 1877 the corner stone of St. Thomas' Church was laid. This church was under the charge of Rev. Mr. Brookman. He was succeeded by Rev. O. J. Booth, who removed to Buffalo in 1886, and was succeeded by Rev. W. J. Armitage who is still in charge.

In 1879 a fourth parish, St. Barnabas', was

formed. Thus there are now four churches where twenty years ago there was but one.

In 1884 Mr. Holland relinquished the full charge of the parish, and the Rev. E. M. Bland, of Ingersoll, was appointed as "Priest-in-charge," Mr. Holland still retaining his position as rector.

After his retirement he lingered for some three years, and in January, 1888, he died.

Mr. Holland was a graduate of Cambridge. Ordained in 1841; he was for three years curate in the mining region. On the invitation of the Bishop of British Guiana he resigned his English charge, and was appointed to a curacy in Amsterdam in that colony. In 1849 he came to Canada and had charge of the mission of Tyrconnel for nearly ten years. When Huron was set off as a separate diocese Mr. Holland became incumbent of Fort Erie, where he remained till his removal to St. Catharines.

After his death Mr. Bland was inducted as rector. In his

time the church was improved, the rectory completely overhauled, and a fine chime of bells placed in the tower of the church.

In 1889 Mr. Bland became rector in charge of Christ Church Cathedral, Hamilton.

He was succeeded by the present rector, the Rev. Robert Ker, formerly of Ingersoll. Under him St. George's is doing a good work for the Church, and is prosperous and happy.

The parish possesses a very comfortable rectory house with garden and handsome grounds attached, and yields an endowment of about \$300 a year. Few rents and offertory make up the balance of revenue.