

priest in charge had the pleasure of presenting forty-four persons, of whom twelve were males and thirty-two females; twenty-five being adults and nineteen children. This is the eighth confirmation held at this church since it was opened in 1882, and during this period, 65 males and 139 females—total 204—have thus been brought into communion with the Church Catholic; a work, which only those who have known its drawbacks and difficulties can truly appreciate.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

No report.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—*The Cathedral.*—This is the Centennial year of this the Mother Church of all the Churches in the city, and the Parish Church of the Diocese and on the 28th ult., the Rev. Dr. Norton, Rector, preached a special sermon with reference to this event, and gave a short yet comprehensive sketch of the Parish and Church, intimating also that later on in the year a suitable centennial service would be held. In concluding his sermon, the Rector (Dr. Norton) referred to his own connection with the Parish, saying in effect that on the last Sunday in April, he concluded five years of his ministry in Montreal, during which time he had learned to love the beautiful city and church. All the current expenses during the five years had been paid in full and no new debts contracted. The *old floating debt* contracted long prior to his taking possession of the Rectory, had been paid off and the mortgage of \$13,500 on the rectory reduced to \$10,000, making \$5,500 of *old debts cleared off*. During the five years \$7,765 had been expended on *restorations*, so that during that time they had paid their way and laid out \$12,665, or about \$2,500 a year in reducing their debt and on restoration work. The number of communicants had *increased more than thirty per cent.* in the same period. All these indications of steady past progress should make them hopeful for the future. In conclusion, he thanked the congregation for the unanimous co-operation and able assistance they had given him.

Dr. Norton is to be congratulated on the admirable work done, and the unmistakeable signs of progress made during his ministry. His efforts to make the Church a Cathedral Church, and to give something like a Cathedral service, have been largely successful. The fabric, both outwardly and inwardly, is kept in a good state of repair: and the conduct of the services are churchly, reverent and daily improving. If the tiles which deface the west end of the chancel were replaced by a beautiful reredos, (as Dr. Norton expressed the wish they might be in the sermon referred to), a much needed improvement would be made and a hideous blot upon the interior beauty of this most beautiful of Canadian Cathedrals, would be removed. It is to be hoped that one or more of Montreal's wealthier churchmen, who living under the teaching of the saintly and revered Bishop Fulford, and under Dr. Bethune the first Rector of this Cathedral still survive may mark their affectionate remembrance of both by providing the funds necessary to erect a suitable reredos.

LONGUEUIL.—The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Mark's Church have been busily engaged in many good works during the past year. Not the least of which have been their attractive socials, bazaar and strawberry festival, through which the handsome sum of \$254 was raised; \$174 was paid over to the churchwardens, who applied the same to reducing the debt on the new school house. Hymn and chant books have been purchased for the choir, also a carpet and table cover for the vestry.

The Young Ladies' Association in connection

with St. Mark's Sunday-school have just completed their past year's work, and taking their small membership into consideration have done very well, having raised the sum of \$87 towards the school building fund. They are now working for the enlargement of the Sunday-school library.

LACHUTE.—The annual Vestry meeting of St. Simeon's Church was held on Easter Monday in the church. A large attendance of the members of the congregation, especially ladies, testified to the interest taken in church matters in the parish. Rev. W. Sanders presided. It was decided to repair and repaint the church, and for this purpose a committee of ladies and gentlemen was appointed to attend to the details. On account of the illness of James Fish, minister's warden, the financial report was postponed until the adjourned meeting on the 6th of May, and was then held at the residence of the above named gentleman. The committee appointed Easter Monday reported that the contract had been arranged and repairs would be immediately proceeded with.

The parish has within the last year erected a \$3,000 parsonage, to which they have contributed \$1,500 towards this amount. Friends in other places have contributed about \$400; and there remains a debt of \$1,100, which amount has been borrowed for five years. The parishioners expect to pay this before the expiration of that time.

For Easter Sunday the font, lectern and communion table were beautifully decorated with flowers. There was a large number of communicants.

APPOINTMENTS of the Lord Bishop for May and June:—

May 15th: Wednesday, North Ely, Rev. C. P. Abbott.
 " 16th: Thursday, Boscobel and Warden, Rev. C. P. Abbott.
 " 17th: Friday, West Shefford and Fulford, Rev. W. Robinson.
 " 19th: Sunday, South Stakely, Rev. J. W. Garland.
 " 20th: Monday, Bolton, churchwardens.
 " 21st: Tuesday, Mansonville, Rev. W. Ross Brown.
 " 22nd: Wednesday, Glen Sutton, Rev. H. A. Meek.
 " 23rd: Thursday, Abercorn and Sutton, Rev. C. Banoroff.
 " 24th: Friday, Sweetsburg and Cowansville, Rev. G. Forsey.
 " 26th: Sunday, Farnham, Rev. Canon Musson.
 " 27th: Monday, Adamsville and East Farnham.
 " 28th: Tuesday, Dunham, churchwardens.
 " 29th: Wednesday, Stanbridge, Rev. I. Constantine.
 " 30th: Thursday, Bedford, Rev. Rural Dean Nye.
 " 31st: Friday, Frelighsburg, Rev. Canon Davidson.

JUNE 2nd: Sunday, Phillipsburg, Rev. F. Allen
 " 9th: Whitsunday, Longueuil, Rev. J. G. Baylis.
 " 9th: Whitsunday, St. Stephen's, Montreal, Archdeacon Evans.
 " 11th: St. Barnabas, St. John the Evangelist, Montreal. Rev. E. Wood.
 " 16th: Trinity Sunday, Trinity Church, ordination, Canon Mills.
 " 18th; Tuesday, Synod, Montreal.
 Letters may be sent to meet the Bishop, to 17th May, South Stakely; 24th, Sweetsburg; 31st, Frelighsburg; afterwards, Montreal.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

PAKENHAM.—Rev. Mr. Partridge announces his intention of shortly going to England to see his aged mother. The rev. gentleman will

carry with him the best wishes of the people of this section for a pleasant voyage and safe return.

At the Vestry meeting held in St. Mark's Church, it was shown that the affairs of the Church were in a very prosperous condition. In view of Dr. Baird's going away his resignation of the position of Church Warden was accepted, and Mr. E. Anderson was appointed in his stead. Mr. C. Danlop was re-elected warden, and Messrs. Wm. Sparrow and J. O'Neil delegates to the Diocesan Synod.

A beautiful stained glass window was placed in position in the church at Antrim, Fitzroy township, in memory of the late Mrs. McGinley, by her daughter, Mrs. Robert Sparrow. This work of art has been furnished by well known artist, Mr. J. C. Spence, of Montreal, who represents one of the largest and best establishments in England for supplying this class of work, and where, we understand, the principal part of the work was made. The artist has executed with a master hand three scenes—the *Birth, Crucifixion* and *Ascension* of our Saviour—the three great events which must ever remain dear to every Christian believer. On the margin at the bottom are the words: "To the glory of God, and in loving memory of Jane McGinley. Born August 6th, 1799. Died August 27th, 1887. Erected by her daughter, Elizabeth Sparrow." Mrs. Sparrow in doing honor to the memory of her dead mother has well chosen, as no one was more worthy to receive this tribute than the late Mrs. McGinley.

PERSONAL.—The Rev. J. F. Greeson Incumbent of Osgoode and Russell, has resigned his charge; and accepted a call to an important parish in the Diocese of Iowa.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

ORILLIA.—The statement of St. James' General Purpose Fund presented at the Easter Vestry, showed the total receipts to be \$2,082.60. There was a balance of \$7.22 in hand, but the organ debt amounted to \$295.25. The Rev. Mr. Brick's mission had received \$10; the Irish Society, \$40.10; the London Society for the Conversion of the Jews, \$20.80; the Parochial Society, \$21.95. Various other special collections, included in the General Purpose fund, were liberal. The Sunday-school fund proper amounted to \$493.82, and had largely been expended in the purchase of a new library. The charity fund amounted to \$230.18. The infant class had contributed \$37.60 to the Orillia Cot in the Hospital for sick children, and other member of the congregation \$25.75 for the same object. The Sunday-school collections for the Indian Homes at Sault Ste. Marie were \$20.31; and for Zenana Missions \$15.02. The Diocesan Missions, house to house collection, was \$6.45.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

OMAGH AND PALERMO.—The Rev. J. H. Fletcher thankfully acknowledges the receipt of the following subscriptions in aid of the Church to be built at Zimmerman:—\$10 E. M. Jarvis; \$5 Rev. W. E. Grahame, Wm. Joyce, Chris. Armstrong, J. A. Williams, M. Felan; \$2 Henry Wilson, W. A. Ferrah, S. McGiffin, S. T. Harris; \$1 Miss R. L. J. Baker, Mrs. Richards, Dr. J. Urquhart. Friends who have promised subscriptions are requested to send them in as soon as convenient.

LINCOLN AND WELLAND.—A meeting of the Ruri-docanal Chapter of Lincoln and Welland was held at Port Dalhousie on Thursday, April 25th. The following clergy were present: Rev. Rural Dean Gribble, Rev. Canon Bull, Rev. Canon Houston, Rev. J. Ardill, W. J. Armistage, E. M. Bland, G. B. Bull, R. Cordner, E. J. Fessender, R. S. Locke, A. W. Macnab, W. J. Vogott, V. L. Spencer, V. W. Smith. Holy Communion was celebrated at 8:15. The morn-