

Eganville.

We have received copies of an excellent little paper published in connection with the Church Bazaar Eganville, from which we take the following interesting historical sketch.

The present church, though old, is not the first built in this parish. About the year 1844 Rev. John McNulty P.P. of Mount St. Patrick erected a small log chapel on the farm now owned by Mrs. Michael Lane, some two miles from where the village rises. The logs of this structure may be seen to-day in the walls of an unused house, standing on the farm of Mr. James Howard, on the right hand side of the road to Brudenell. Up to 1852 this chapel, as well as the chapels at Douglas, Snake River, Renfrew and Sand Point was served from Mount St. Patrick by Father McNulty. In 1852 Father McNulty was called away from the Mount, and Douglas, Eganville and Snake River erected into a parish with the pastor, Father James Strain, resident at Douglas. In 1858 Father Strain built the main portion of the Eganville church that now stands on the prominent hill overlooking the south bank of the Bonnechere. In 1859 Rev. M. Byrne, then pastor of Renfrew, was appointed the first resident parish priest of Eganville, with Douglas, Sebastopol, Brudenell, Golden Lake, the Upper Bonnechere and, later on, Osceola, as attached missions. As time passed most of these missions grew into flourishing parishes leaving Golden Lake and the upper Bonnechere adjoined to Eganville. In 1874 Father Byrne built a wing 60x36 to the old frame church; in 1891 he completed the structure by the addition of another wing corresponding with the first. This last improvement was absolutely required to provide room for the congregation while the new church would be building. In July 1891 Father Byrne was summoned to his reward and the present pastor, Rev. P. S. Dowdall was called from Mount St. Patrick to take his place. Father Dowdall took up the good work where it was left by his saintly predecessor. His instructions from the Bishop were to build a new presbytery, provide a cemetery to replace the old one that was overcrowding and to erect a church. In 1892 the presbytery was finished; this fall the Turner Grove property was purchased for a grave-yard; and now there remains the most arduous task of all, the building of the church.

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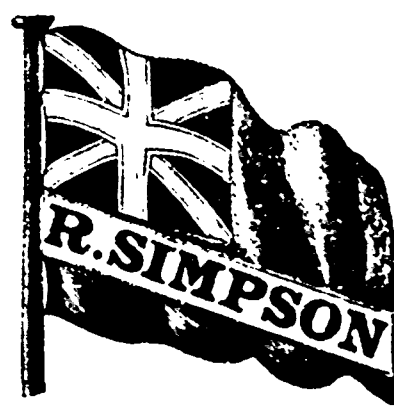
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