

third generation rising up to call her blessed. Long may she reign. Every year she lives is an added blessing to her people—an assurance of peace and happiness." I will detain you no longer. I pray that the Spirit of God will direct your deliberations and guide you into all truth.

The charge also contained touching references to the death of the Right Rev. Hibbert Binney, D.D., Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia; the Venerable Archdeacon Leach, and the Right Rev. Phillip de Gruchy.

#### ONTARIO.

**BELL'S CORNERS.**—Thursday, June 16th, was the day appointed for the laying of the corner stone of another Church in the parish, viz: at Fallonwood; a picturesque hamlet, surrounded by a good agricultural country. Fallonwood is some five miles distant from Christ Church, where the congregation have hitherto been supposed to attend Divine worship. The morning of the 16th proved dark and threatening, and though several times the clouds gave promise of breaking, yet finally the rain came down in steady and heavy showers, which continued the greater part of the day, as, however, the Ven. Archdeacon of Ottawa and six visiting clergy had bravely driven through the rain, it was resolved to proceed with the ceremony. The clergy and choir walked in procession to the south-east corner of the building, where the stone was to be placed, singing Hymn 215. The form authorized by the Provincial Synod was used at the service. The incumbent, Rev. H. B. Patton, after the versicles and special Collect, read a short account of the history of the undertaking to build this Church, with the list of local subscribers, &c., and then placed the records in the "cavity." The stone was forthwith duly laid by the Ven. Archdeacon Lauder; the Church being named after "St. Barnabas," whose Festival is the nearest in the Calendar. The Collects were read by Rural Dean Bogart. Offerings were then laid upon the stone amounting to \$60. The Archdeacon delivered a very practical address, and pronounced the benediction. In consequence of the bad weather, the festivities that had been arranged to follow were postponed until the 18th inst., when a very enjoyable picnic was held. The Church (designed by B. Billings, architect, Ottawa), is to be a Gothic Building of blue limestone, (about 60 by 21 in size), with south porch, vestry, bell turret, &c. It occupies a commanding site, and will it is hoped supply a need long felt. The congregation have entered into this work with no little enthusiasm, but being neither numerically or financially strong, it may be added, should any of our brethren abroad (clerical or lay) feel disposed out of love for the souls of men, and a desire to promote the glory of God, to act on the suggestion, herewith respectfully made, of sending a "Jubilee offering" to this good work, the gift, great or small, will be most gratefully received and acknowledged on behalf of the congregation and building committee, by the incumbent of the parish of Bell's Corners.

#### TORONTO.

**THE SYNOD OF TORONTO.**—Fourth Day.—The Rev. Septimus Jones presented the report of a scheme of superannuation for aged and infirm clergy, which was adopted. The subjects of systematic giving, the revised version, and Christian union were discussed. The See House Report showed that the building cost \$11,000, the deficit is \$75. A somewhat acrimonious debate arose on the St. James' Rectory leases, the discussion was adjourned until next day.

**Fifth Day.**—The Rev. Provost Body moved, and Mr. T. Hodgins seconded the following, which was carried: "That with a view to a just and equitable settlement of all matters in dispute between the synod and the tenants of the Toronto rectory property, this synod hereby directs the Rectory Lands Committee, if unable to effect an amicable arrangement, to refer all matters in dispute to arbitration, the arbitrators being instructed to recommend, having regard to all the facts, the fairest and most equitable settlement in each case, in accordance with the expressed wish of the rectors, and if found necessary to then apply to the Local Legislature for power to give effect to the decision of the arbitrators."

Canon Damoulin made a personal explanation. He said:—"I have received a letter from the Rev. Hugh Johnston, in which he misunderstands some remarks which I made in moving for a committee to arrange Jubilee services. I desire to disclaim any intentional discourtesy towards the Methodist body in this city. I wish simply to say that I think it is perfectly within the bounds of public liberty and public courtesy for the Church of England to arrange and hold Jubilee services for her members on that great occasion. We might be in Spain and threatened by the Popish Inquisition for holding our services

when such words are necessary, but the Papacy is not one whit more tyrannical than would be the rule of the Ministerial Association. After routine resolutions of thanks the synod was closed by benediction.

Fully one-half the time of this synod was worse than wasted by irregular discussions and irregular speeches on regular business. It is much to be deplored that members of synods do not pay more respect to the rules of debate, and avoid taking such liberties with the good nature and patience of the Bishop. We would strongly urge upon his Lordship in future to rule these meetings with less kindness, and with more stern determination to repress irrelevance. The task would be disagreeable, but were it done once thereby the effect would be lasting. Delegates who attended synod for the first time have told us that they came away with a painful sense of weariness, irritation, and disappointment, at being compelled to attend sittings where the discussions were so unprofitable, and so wandering, and so out of order that even a village council would not tolerate business being conducted so as to be so wasteful of time. The Bishop should be more honoured and better supported, his benignity has been imposed upon by a few irrepressibles, and in future were they kept severely down the great majority of clergy and delegates would be grateful.

**TORONTO.**—Jubilee Service.—A very large congregation assembled at St. James Church, Toronto, to celebrate, by a service of thanksgiving, the Queen's Jubilee. The combined choirs of the city, with the clergy and Bishop, entered the church singing "O God, the King of Nations." The special choral service was then rendered with much impressiveness. The Bishop preached an eloquent discourse from the first seven verses of the 21st Psalm, in the course of which the purity of the home life of the Queen, and her noble example as wife, mother, and sovereign were set forth as having been a source of untold blessing to all her people. "The Church of England in particular had to praise God for that revival of life, that awakening out of the apathy and dry formalism of the last century, into all the blessed activities of spiritual vitality which she has experienced during the last fifty years. No better illustration could be given of the general progress of the Victorian age in all that makes for good to the English race than is furnished by the increase of the colonial episcopate. It was now one hundred years since the consecration of the Bishop of Nova Scotia, the first colonial bishop. Only seven were founded during the first half of the century. The eighth, the see of Bombay, was founded in the year of the Queen's accession. Toronto was founded two years later, and since then the surprising and magnificent increase of sixty-six colonial bishoprics had taken place. For these and other blessings they thanked God. In conclusion, his Lordship prayed that God may continue to the Queen His grace and multiply upon her His mercy." The service throughout was deeply impressive as a display of Church of England loyalty manifesting itself in joyful devotional solemnities.

**JUBILEE CELEBRATION.**—The day fixed by proclamation of the Governor General for celebrating the Queen's Jubilee was not observed in Toronto, save by a few persons. This arose from the Mayor characteristically treating the official proclamation as aught, being in the way of his personal whims. Mr. W. H. Howland has fixed upon the 30th June as his idea of the right day for celebrating the event of the 21st June. The result will be that the citizens will lose a day's holiday, as the 30th preceding the 1st July, which is a close holiday, citizens will not observe both these days, whereas they would have closed on the 21st but for the Mayor's declaring the Governor-General's proclamation null and void. But, of course Mr. H. has precedence of the Queen, as in Church matters he shows that he regards himself supreme over Bishops and all ecclesiastical authorities whatever. Setting Church authorities at defiance is a sure road to great popularity with the sects, but his setting the Governor-General at defiance seems to have been universally condemned. There is such a thing as danger from too much rope being allowed!

**Memorial to the late W. S. Darling.**—The following subscriptions are acknowledged by Mr. W. Ince on behalf of the committee.—R. H. Bethune, William Ince, E. B. Oaler, \$25 each; Mrs. Henderson, sr., \$20; H. J. Browne, Mrs. Mary Gwatkin, E. F. Hedden, Beverley Jones, Rev. Prof. Jones, John Newell, S. G. Wood, \$10 each; R. T. Blackford, G. J. Campbell, John Catto, Miss Grier, William Hill, G. S. Holmsted, C. Hornibrook, W. Ince, jr., Mr. and Mrs. D. Kemp, Alan Macdougall, Mrs. James Strachan, Mrs. John Strachan, Mrs. Warwick, J. B. West, \$5 each; Miss Hancombe, \$2; J. Jose, Mrs. Isaac Thompson, Miss A. Reid, Miss E. Reid, \$1 each; Anon., 50 cents. During Mr. Ince's absence further subscriptions will be received by S. G. Wood, 18 King street west, or

W. Ince, jr., 43 Front street east. It is probable that the memorial will take the form of a stained glass window or a mural tablet in the church of the Holy Trinity in this city, in which Mr. Darling ministered for over thirty years. Doubtless many others of Mr. Darling's friends will desire to mark their remembrance of him and their appreciation of his long and energetic labours in the Church by contributing to the intended memorial.

#### NIAGARA.

**HAMILTON.**—In many of the pulpits of the city churches references were made Sunday, June 19th, to the approaching fiftieth anniversary of Queen Victoria's accession to the throne. All the remarks on the subject breathed a strain of loving loyalty and reverence for the Queen's character both as a woman and a queen. There was no particular reference to the event from the Church of England pulpits, for that day had been set apart by the Provincial synod for the celebration in the churches of the one hundredth anniversary of the episcopate of the church in Canada. In Christ Church cathedral, however, a special Jubilee service was held in the afternoon. It was attended by the Thirteenth battalion, under the command of Col. Gibson, and a congregation that crowded the church. The Thirteenth band turned out and played the battalion to and from the church.

The service in the hospital, Sunday, 19th June, was conducted by Rev. O. E. Whitcomb, recently of San Francisco. He delivered a very earnest address.

Adam Brown, M. P., delivered an oration at the Crystal palace ground on Tuesday afternoon. His subject was The Progress of Canada and the Empire During Fifty Years.

Tuesday, the 21st June, is a day much to be remembered in Canada, as a day of most loyal demonstration in honour of Her Majesty's Jubilee year. The day was solemnly begun with religious services in our churches of Ontario. In the larger towns and cities there were ample signs of festivity throughout the day.

#### HURON.

**LONDON.**—The treasurer for the "Churchwoman's Jubilee Offering to the W. and O. Fund of Algoma," again has to acknowledge gratefully the following sums:—From St. Thomas, per Miss Hughes, \$8; "Sarnia Churchwomen," per Rev. T. R. Davis, \$28 50; "Chatsworth Churchwomen," by Mrs. Fairlie, \$28.00; Mrs. Strathy, of Barrie, \$10.00; "A mite from a well wisher of Guelph," \$1.00; Mrs. Sanders, Aylmer, \$1; 2nd instalment St. Paul's, \$10.50; ditto Chapter House, \$11.60; Mrs. Mills' sale of work, \$80.00, over from expenses of band, &c., \$5.77; Mrs. Oaler, and Mrs. Williamson, 88 Wellesley St., Toronto, \$1.00 each; St. James', London South, \$41 50. Total in hand to date, \$480.05.

**GALT.**—Jubilee services were held on Sunday, 19th inst., both morning and evening. The sacred edifice was crowded to its utmost capacity by enthusiastic congregations. The decorations were of a most elaborate character. Ferns, flowers and mosses of every description were artistically arranged, white flags, banners and crests, loaned by the civic authorities and by private individuals, gracefully adorned the pulpit and walls. The chancel presented a very attractive appearance, a light screen was erected covered with cedar, ferns and flowers. On the outer arches the dates 1837-1887 appeared in white flowers. On the two other arches the letters V. R., made of the same, and suspended from the central arch a handsome crown of red and white roses. On the ledge of the chancel window, lying upon a bed of moss, were the words, "God Save the Queen" in red pink and white roses, with two pretty flags belonging to the 29th battalion on either side. The officers and men of the battalion marched in uniform to the church, headed by the band, and occupied the seats reserved specially for them. The organist, Mr. R. S. Strang, jr., assisted by his well-trained choir, led in the service of praise, which was of a most loyal and hearty nature. The Rector used the service specially prepared for the occasion, in which the large congregation heartily joined. The Rector, Rev. J. Ridley, preached at both services. In the morning from 1 Sam. x. 24, "And all the people started and said, God save the King," and in the evening from Lev. xxv. 10, "And ye shall hallow the 50th year and proclaim liberty throughout the land and to all the inhabitants thereof; it shall be a Jubilee unto you." Both discourses being appropriate to the occasion and designed to arouse the loyalty and enthusiasm of the hearers.