

God is with us, and one, working together with Him, is always in the majority.

PERSONAL.—The Rev. J. A. Newham has arrived safely at Moose Fort, after a long and very perilous voyage. He was in excellent health at the time of writing, and full of enthusiasm for his new sphere of usefulness.

TERREBONNE AND MASCOUCHE.—After an absence of fifteen years, your correspondent was invited to administer the Holy Communion the 18th Sunday after Trinity. There were thirty-four communicants. A visit to God's Acre disclosed "many a mouldering heap" added during the interval. It was touching to see the grave of Mr. Harry Pangman, who was killed in the prime of life by a collision on the St. Louis Railroad; he and his father before him were the seigneurs, and the loss of the family to the mission has been felt ever since. The Moodys, who settled in Terrebonne fifty-seven years ago, have several graves at Mascouche. It is to be hoped that the present foundry firm at Terrebonne may not remove, and that their wealth may be a blessing in their homes and in their Church.—"Them that will honour me I will honour."

ONTARIO.

OTTAWA.—Arrangements are being made by the commissary, Archdeacon Lauder, to have the confirmations in the deanery of Renfrew taken by the Lord Bishop of Niagara, probably in the latter part of October. The work will occupy nearly a fortnight, as it is a large deanery and each parish requires to be visited. The Bishop of Ontario is understood to be recovering, and it is hoped and expected that by following the advice of his physician, and refraining from work at present, he may be quite restored to health, a consummation most devoutly prayed for throughout the diocese.

KINGSTON.—The Rev. J. K. McMorine, rector of St. James, leaves in a few days to hold missionary meetings in Pembroke and parts adjacent, and the Rev. M. Harding of the Cathedral goes to Mattawa for a similar purpose and also to hold a mission in conjunction with the Rev. C. Saddington of Eganville. The Rev. C. O. Carson of Plantagenet has arranged to hold missionary meetings in Cobden, Eganville, and Combermere missions early in October, and the Rev. A. W. Mackay and T. J. Stills in mission of Petawawa. The Rev. R. H. Jones, of Pakenham, is associated with the Rev. Mr. McMorine in deputation work. In the Renfrew deanery it has been found that winter missionary meetings are held at great disadvantage, the congregations during that season being very much smaller, owing to the absence of men in the shanties and the inability of others to get to church for want of horses. In some of the missions this makes so serious an inroad on the congregations that for a couple of years they have tried the experiment of fall meetings with very encouraging success.

PETAWAWA MISSION.—The new Church of Saint Aidan's, North Alice, was opened for divine worship on Sunday the 27th. At an early hour teams from distant parts of the township began to arrive, bearing visiting brethren from St. George's, who came over to rejoice with their brethren of St. Aidan's in the opening of their church. The building is small, but extremely pretty inside. It is of very plain exterior, frame, part gothic. Seating capacity about one hundred. It is situated midway between All Saints and St. George's, about seven miles from either. It opens up a new centre for the Church, as the congregation was only organized at this point eleven months ago. The main cost of the building was contributed anonymously by an English lady, supplemented by a grant from the S.P.C.K. and from the Burnside Trust, Toronto, and also by a donation of twenty dollars from the county member, Hon. Peter White, Speaker of the House of Commons. The church will be consecrated in a few weeks to the memory of St. Aidan. At the opening service the congregation numbered about two hundred, nearly one hundred and fifty being packed into the building, the remainder outside at the windows reverently joining in the service and using their prayer books as if they were inside. The service was the Holy Communion, very heartily conducted, the choir from All Saints and St. George's leading the singing. The mission priest (Rural Dean Bliss) was celebrant, with Mr. R. B. Southwell, lay reader, as server. Rural Dean Nesbitt was to have been the preacher, but in his unavoidable absence that duty was discharged by the mission priest. The offertory amounted to fourteen dollars, considered very good indeed. All expressed as much surprise as pleasure at the interior finish of this little sanctuary. There is no plastering, all wood specially

prepared and well put together. No paint, all oil, varnish and a light cherry stain. The effect is rather striking and extremely pleasant. A rood screen separates nave and chancel, and the east wall is covered with hangings and dossal. The altar is vested in handsome frontal and adorned with brass cross and vases of flowers, these all being gifts from England. Services are to be held here every Sunday. The present congregation is not large, but they are loyal Church people and it will grow. At the neighboring Church of St. George, seven miles distant, the congregation is too large for the church, and the latter is rather dilapidated and incapable of appropriate enlargement. The mission priest has been trying to lead the people to think a new church necessary, and as many of them saw St. Aidan's in all its beauty that morning, Mr. Bliss took occasion at the afternoon service in St. George's to point out in most vigorous language the call for hearty and united action to have a new St. George's. His appeal was well received and will no doubt result as he hopes. *Deo Gratias.*

BELLEVILLE.—The annual harvest festival took place in Christ Church the 27th ult. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers, fruits and grains, and was filled both morning and evening to its utmost capacity. At the early celebration there were sixty communicants. The Rev. Allan Pittman, of St. George's, Toronto, preached both morning and evening; he is a powerful speaker and his congregations during the day were very attentive. The offertory, which is to go towards the debt, amounted to \$400. In the afternoon there was a children's service, the members of Christ Church and St. George's Sunday schools being present. After they had sung the Litany, the rector, Rev. S. Daw, catechized them.

IROQUOIS.—Sunday morning, Sept. 27th, a memorial service was held in memory of the late Rev. Geo. White. The Society of Workmen were present in a body, and an effective sermon was preached by the Rev. R. L. M. Houston. The choir rendered some beautiful anthems, etc., in a manner befitting the occasion.

TORONTO.

Very successful harvest thanksgiving services were held in St. Mark's, St. Stephen's, St. Simon's, St. Matthias', St. Mary Magdalene and St. Olive.

St. Cyprian.—The Bishop of Toronto might well have said on Saturday afternoon, "Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth," when he turned the first sod preparatory to the erection of the new church of St. Cyprian. This interesting ceremonial took place at the corner of Christie and Dupont streets, the site selected for the new church, necessitated by the rapid growth of Seaton Village, and was witnessed by a large number of the clergy and other prominent citizens, among whom were noticed: Rev. Prof. Clark, Revs. E. A. Oliver, E. Heathcote, G. H. Webb, J. C. Roper, R. J. Moore, Anthony Hart, J. H. McCollum, E. C. Cayley, A. J. Broughall, J. S. Broughall, L. J. Smith, Charles B. Darling, and Rev. C. H. Shortt, the rector of the new parish; also Mr. Eden Smith, the architect, and Messrs. John Carter, L. J. Bland, Charles Carter, George Merser, Henry Throllope and others. The choir of St. Alban's cathedral, composed of 16 surpliced men and boys, opened the ceremonies by singing the processional hymn, "Forward be our Watchword." The actual ceremony of turning the sod occupied but a moment's time, after which his lordship proceeded to give a brief history of the congregation, which had begun as a mission in a small hall years ago at the corner of Bathurst and Bloor streets. During the past five years the congregation thrived in the crypt of the cathedral. His lordship expressed in very warm terms his affection for the people of the parish, and stated that he regretted very much that he would lose them from St. Alban's. He then proceeded to give a short sketch of the life of their patron saint, who had been an African archbishop, a defender of the faith, and a martyr about the year 250. Concluding, he said that he had known Mr. Shortt, the rector, for a number of years, having been his tutor at Hellmuth College, and that he was convinced that in the hands of so able and devoted a servant of God the interests of the parish and spiritual welfare of the people would be properly attended to. The new church, which will be a roughcast building capable of accommodating at least 300 persons, will be completed about the first of January next, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,000.

To the Clergy, Superintendents, Teachers, and Friends of Sunday Schools:

MY DEAR FRIENDS,—It has been suggested by the Church of England Sunday School Institute, with

the hearty concurrence of the Archbishop of Canterbury, that our Church in Canada should unite with the Mother Church in the observance of special Days of Intercession on behalf of Sunday schools. Such intercession is so well calculated to bring the divine blessing upon our Sunday schools, and to quicken our own interest in this important work, that I shall be glad if the clergy, teachers, and friends of Sunday schools throughout the diocese will unite in observing one or both days of intercession, as suggested below. The days proposed are: Sunday, October 18th, and Monday, October 19th. In particular, I invite all Sunday school workers and friends of Sunday schools in the city of Toronto to a devotional meeting in St. James' School-house on Monday, October 19th, at 8 p.m., when special addresses to teachers and workers will be given by Rev. Canon DuMoulin and Rev. Rural Dean Downie, of the diocese of Huron. I shall be obliged to the city clergy if they will give notice of this meeting on Sunday, and afford their teachers such opportunities as they can of observing this season of intercession in union with their fellow teachers in the Church of England throughout the world. With hearty prayers for God's blessing on your work, I am your faithful friend and bishop.

ARTHUR TORONTO.

Suggestions.—The following are suggested as methods of observing the days of intercession, one or more of which may be found practicable:

1. A special celebration of the Holy Communion for the teachers and workers on Sunday, 18th inst.; if possible with an address.
2. A special sermon in reference to Sunday school work, on the same day; with the use of one or more of the Collects below, to follow the Collects of the day.
3. A special Sunday school service for the scholars; and, where possible, a short address to the teachers afterwards, with special prayer.
4. General meeting of clergy, Sunday school workers, parents, and elder scholars in St. James' School-house on Monday evening, 19th inst., at 8 p.m.

Prayers Suggested (which may be used after the Collect of the day).—Collects for Advent, second Collect for Good Friday. Collects for 25th Sunday after Trinity, and St. Simon and St. Jude.

STREETSVILLE.—The Annual Harvest Festival Services were held in Trinity Church on Sunday the 20th. The Festival services began with a plain celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m., followed by matins, and Holy Communion at 11. The music was semi-choral, and a goodly number of communicants boldly witnessed to the death of their Saviour. Full choral evensong was sung at 7, the service being intoned by the Incumbent (Rev. Otho Croft), the responses being well rendered by the very efficient choir which this church happily possesses. There was a large congregation numbering over 300 people, who listened with wrapt attention to the very earnest and forcible sermon preached by the Rev. Rural Dean Mackenzie, of Milton. The decorations were very good, and the ladies who undertook them are to be congratulated on their success. Miss Davidson presided at the organ with her usual ability, and the choir, by their earnest, hearty rendering of the service, show that they thoroughly understand the mind of the Church by placing the offering of "Praise and Thanksgiving" on its legitimate footing. At such services preaching might well be omitted, and people taught to love and loyally hold fast to the grand liturgy of our dear old Church.

CALEDON EAST.—Harvest Thanksgiving services were held in St. James' Church, Caledon East, on Sept. 23rd. The old church was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The Holy Eucharist was celebrated at 10:30 a.m., to a large number of communicants. At 3 p.m., there was a children's service, at which the Rev. F. C. Kennedy of Bolton addressed the children. The congregation that met for evensong was large; at this service the Rev. W. F. Swallow of Woodbridge preached a practical and effective sermon to his old parishioners, from Deut. viii. 18.—Thou shalt remember the Lord thy God, for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth.

NIAGARA.

HAMILTON.—Christ Church Cathedral, Wednesday last, 28th September, witnessed a very pleasant and appropriate gathering at Holy Communion in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the wedding of the Dean and Mrs. Geddes. The Bishop celebrated, assisted by the Vicar, while the Dean took his place beside the partner of his life, surrounded by their immediate friends, which of course included a number of the Cathedral congregation, and but for the expressed wish of the venerable Rector that the golden wedding should be a quiet one, the church, scene of more than half a century's labours, would have been filled. One can not help feeling that this manner of celebrating such an anniversary was well