

MANSONVILLE.—The Bishop's visit to this place was somewhat dampened by inclement weather, lessened attendance and a sudden and deep bereavement in the home of one of the leading families; otherwise, from the *specialite* of the service and the number of the clergy present, it would have been a marked one. On the evening of his arrival, the services in the church consisted of the Litany (being Wednesday), which was said by the Rev. H. D. Bridge, and this was followed by the consecration of a new baptismal font, just placed in position that day as a thank-offering from those only who had been baptized or presented children for baptism in the parish. The font itself, though of moderate cost, is of a very chaste design indeed, and is from the workshop of Mr. R. Reid, the well-known sculptor of Montreal. The service used for this consecration was one specially compiled for the occasion, and approved by the Bishop. The incumbent having asked his Lordship to consecrate, and assent being given, the Bishop, saying the antiphone to the 46th Psalm, "The rivers of the flood make glad the city of our God," proceeded to the font with the clergy, and, standing around it, said the above psalm. Then came some very appropriate prayers, the service concluding with the declaration of the consecration (analogous to the form in consecration of churches) by the Bishop, whereby he set apart that font for its one sacred use, and that only. Then entering the sanctuary, the *Te Deum* to Jackson's setting was rendered as a special act of praise and thanksgiving. His Lordship then delivered one of his impressive discourses, his theme being the place and importance of Infant Baptism. On Thursday morning the services consisted of Confirmation and Holy Communion. Two candidates were presented, although others were expected. These two were both of French-Canadian nationality, and, in early life, of Romish training. The Rev. F. H. Clayton was the selected preacher, and took for his theme the place and importance of the Sacramental Ordinances. The Revs. C. Lummis and H. D. Bridge, with the incumbent, took their parts in the services as they were appointed.

BOLTON CENTRE.—The Bishop's visit to this parish was on Friday, May 28th. The clergy present were the Revs. C. Bancroft, M.A., J. J. Scully, rector of Knowlton, Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay, C. Lummis, of Glen Sutton, and the incumbent. The services were rendered with that congregational spirit of unity and heartiness that characterizes this congregation. The Rev. J. J. Scully was the preacher. He gave a most Bonnergistic sermon on the well-worn theme, "The just shall live by Faith." A metrical Litany was sung, the Bishop and all the clergy, with one exception, kneeling; why the exception it would be hard to say. We must not omit to mention that the church in which these services were held has undergone further and most desirable improvement, and now presents one of the most churchly interiors to be found in the townships. The nave and choir have been fitted with sittings and desks taken from designs of Cox & Sons, but made in this place. A *reredos* or mural painting, from the studio of Spence & Sons, looked resplendent behind the altar, and the whole of the walls being tastefully and most harmoniously tinted, and being further adorned with a series of well-made banners, the effect was very fine, and received the praise of all who were capable of speaking on such things. The congregation of St. Patrick's, Bolton Centre, may well be proud and fond of their church, as they are evidently proud and fond of their clergyman.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

KINGSTON.—*The Women's Auxiliary.*—The quarterly meeting of the city branches of the Women's Auxiliary met on the 2nd instant in St. Paul's schoolhouse. The president, Mrs. B. B. Smith, occupied the chair, and there was a

large attendance. The secretaries of the three city churches read reports showing that during the past three months the following sums had been raised for foreign and domestic Missions: St. George's Cathedral, \$68; St. James', \$20; St. Paul's, \$40. Arrangements were made for the annual meeting of the delegates from the various parochial organizations here during the Synod week. A draft of the proposed constitution was submitted to the meeting, and amended as desired. The next quarterly meeting will be held in St. George's Hall on the first Tuesday in September.

As supplementary to the above account of the Women's Auxiliary, the Rev. J. Ker McMorine writes to say that the amounts contributed by the city parishes since the organization of the Society are as follows:—St. George's, \$154.35; St. Paul's, \$40.60; St. James', \$60.62.

The Rev. P. T. Mignot, lately ordained, has entered on his duties as curate at St. Paul's. A Mission has been opened at the Grand Trunk Railway station. Service is held there every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; Sunday-school at 9:30.

The ladies of St. James' lately held a very successful sale of needlework. About \$150 was realized.

Mr. Fred. Taylor, Divinity student, is spending his summer vacation with his parents; he is at his old post as Lay Reader in St. James'.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

CAMPBELLFORD.—*Christ Church.*—The bazaar before alluded to came off on the 21st ult. It was a great success. The tables were loaded with the numerous articles prepared for sale by the ladies. A bountiful repast was provided in the evening, which attracted numerous visitors. The band turned out and played several airs in capital style. There was also a promenade concert, in which Mrs. Crane, Miss Campbell, Prof. Jackson and the Messrs. Mills took part. The proceeds amounted to \$180.

WHITBY.—*All Saints.*—The Churchwardens reported at Easter that the total receipts for the ecclesiastical year had been \$1,495.16, including a small balance from last year; expenditure, \$1,494.82. The congregation was congratulated on their absolute freedom from debt, the parsonage accounts having been met up to October next. The amount still unpaid on parsonage account is \$1,260, but it is made payable in seven annual instalments of \$180 each. The church contributed to Synod purposes last year \$146.10.

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE.—The annual commencement of this institution was held on the 21st ult. There was a good attendance of visitors, including the Bishop of Algoma and three city clergymen, Ven. Archdeacon Boddy, Revs. H. G. Baldwin and Septimus Jones. Col. Gzowski occupied the chair. Mayor Howland read the treasurer's report. The receipts for building and furnishing the new wing had been \$18,871.20, and total payments \$19,458.38. The endowment fund now amounted to \$62,783.29. The maintenance account showed a small deficit; the receipts were \$7,173.52, and payments \$7,423.20. The graduates are Messrs. R. L. Sloggett, J. C. Robinson and A. D. Dewdney, not more than one of whom it is expected will labor in this Diocese. Comment is needless. At a subsequent meeting of the Trustees the following gentlemen were elected as the Council for the year 1886-87:—Hon. Edward Blake, M.A., Q.C., Hon. S. H. Blake, B.A., Q.C., His Honor Judge Benson, His Honor Judge Boyd, Ven. Archdeacon Boddy, M.A., A. H. Campbell, Esq., B. Homer Dixon, K.N.L., Rev. T. C.

Desbarres, M.A., Lieut.-Col. R. B. Denison, W. B. Evans, Clarke Gamble, Q.C., Geo. E. Gillespie, Col. Gzowski, A.D.C., R. Gilmor, W. H. Howland, N. W. Hoyles, B.A., Mr. Sheriff Jarvis, Rev. Septimus Jones, M.A., J. K. Kerr, Q.C., Arthur B. Lee, William Magrath, J. Herbert Mason, Rev. Canon O'Meara, LL.D., Saml. Platt, Henry O'Brien, Rev. A. Sanson, Rev. J. P. Sheraton, D.D., T. Sutherland Stayner, President Daniel Wilson, LL.D.

PETERBORO.—*St John's.*—The cantata "Ruth" has been given twice recently in this church by a chorus of nearly forty voices, under the leadership of Mr. C. Hampshire. The soloists were Mrs. Chambers, Miss Wells, Miss Coe, Mr. Alex. Elliott and Mr. T. Dunn. On the first occasion tickets were sold for the musical treat, but on the second admission was free, a collection being taken up to defray expenses. The cantata was a decided success in every way.

The *Orillia Packet* says that the Rev. R. McCosh and Mrs. McCosh leave Wingham for California next week. They expect to be absent about three months.

The Rev. J. Ardill, of St. Paul's Church, Fort Erie, one of the most successful graduates of Wycliffe College, has been mentioned in connection with the position of assistant minister of St. James' parish, Orillia.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

PORT STANLEY.—The Bishop of the Diocese held Confirmation in Christ's Church on the 14th, when nine persons were presented by the Rev. H. Banwell.

Rev. A. D. Smith, Missionary among the Indians at Muncy Town, has gone East collecting funds for the erection of a parsonage in his Mission.

RIDGETOWN.—The Rev. Martin Shore and Mrs. Shore leave in a few days for a visit to England. The members of his congregation presented him with an address and a purse last week, in token of their appreciation, and as an expression of their good-will.

MORPETH.—The Rev. Rural Dean Downie purposes visiting the Old Country shortly.

HAYSVILLE.—His Lordship Bishop Baldwin has appointed the Rev. Freeman Harding to be Rural Dean of the County of Waterloo, in the place of Rev. Canon Hincks, removed.

The convening circular calling the Synod together on June the 15th is published. The Executive Committee will meet in the Chapter House on June 14th, at 2:30 p.m. Service will be held at St. Paul's Church, with sermon by the Rev. John Gemley, of Simcoe, and Holy Communion, at 10 a.m. on Tuesday. The Synod will assemble for business at 2:30 p.m. The annual Missionary meeting will be held in the Cronyn Hall on Wednesday, June the 16th, at 8 p.m.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

The twelfth session of the Synod of Niagara has come and gone. The signs of new life in the more reverent and hearty services in the Cathedral were many, and the signs of increased interest in the affairs of the Church, in the Synod meetings, abundant. The wisdom of the Synod, in their choice of a Bishop, was admitted on all sides, for a more dignified, fair minded and impartial officer it would be impossible to find. Well up in all points of order, patient and courteous in his bearing, yet prompt and firm in his rulings; he will soon work the struggling, and what now seems the turbulent, hostile elements, into a strong, compact, aggress-