

congregation, closed by the Bishop and other Clergy, advanced to the site of the new building at the corner of St. Urbain and Dorchester Streets.

The Clergy present were the Very Rev. the Dean, Ven. Archdeacon Gilson, Rev. J. Ellegood, Rev. John Torrance, Rev. R. R. Burrage, Rev. E. Wood, Rev. E. J. Rogers.

The service immediately connected with the laying of the stone was begun by chanting the LXXI Psalm to Tallis' Imperial chant, the effect of which, sung by a large number of voices, was impressive in the extreme.

The Dean then commenced the form appointed by His Lordship for the occasion, followed by the Rev. E. Wood reading the inscription upon the scroll deposited beneath the stone. The following is a copy:—

"TO THE GLORY OF ALMIGHTY GOD,

FATHER, SON AND HOLY GHOST.

This foundation stone of this Church, to be called the Church of St. John the Evangelist, and to be free and unappropriated for ever, was laid by the Right Reverend Father in God Francis by Divine permission Lord Bishop of Montreal, first Bishop of the Diocese, on the fourth day of July, A. D., 1860, in the tenth year of his consecration, and in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria; the Right Honorable Sir Edmund Walker Head, Baronet, being Governor General of British North America.

Francis Fulford, D.D., Bishop of Montreal.

John Bethune, D.D., Dean, Rector of the Parish.

Samuel Gilson, M.A., Canon and Archdeacon of Montreal.

Edmund Wood, M.A., Assistant Minister.

George Smith, Esq.,

Walter Jones, Esq., M.D., } Churchwardens.

John Bates, Esq.,

J. H. Isaacson, Esq., } Wardens of Temporary Chapel.

Alfred Baily, Esq., Architect.

This Church is to be entirely free, and will be served by the Clergy of the Cathedral."

A number of the *Church Chronicle* and coins of Canadian Currency were also deposited with the parchment. The stone being laid with the usual formalities, His Lordship, in an eloquent and impressive manner, addressed the persons present, explaining the object for which the Church was being built, and exhorting all to make good use of the opportunities afforded them. He dwelt at some length on the fact of 1860 being an eventful year in the history of Canada, declaring that it would be more especially so to Montreal. The visit of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales to the city was calculated to prove beneficial in no ordinary degree, yet the laying of that stone was an event of more importance, inasmuch as the benefits derived therefrom would be more lasting, and of far greater value. In years to come, when this genera-