

money for it has been collected by Mrs. Fortin, wife of the rector.

The congregation of Holy Trinity has been holding a bazaar. At the close, a presentation of a handsome terra cotta jar, painted by hand, was made to Mrs. Fortin on behalf of the Ladies' Aid Society.

**Christ Church.**—The first of what is hoped will be an annual gathering of the Church choirs in the city was held, on the invitation of Rev. Mr. Pentreath, in Christ Church, at 3.30 p.m. on Trinity Sunday. The choirs of Holy Trinity, Christ Church, All Saints' and St. George's Church took part. The surpliced choirs of Christ Church and All Saints' entered the west door, singing, "Onward, Christian soldiers," the other choirs being in the chancel. The service was fully choral, taken by the Rev. Mr. Pentreath and Dean Grisdale. The responses were: Talles' Magnificat, Parisian Tone, Nunc Dimittis, Tonus Regius, Psalter, Helmore. The anthem was, "Oh, pray for the peace of Jerusalem," the tenor solo being taken by Mr. J. W. Jowett. Mr. W. H. Holt, organist of Holy Trinity, played for half an hour before the service. The Rector delivered a brief address. Mr. W. A. Jowett, organist of the church, played, except in the Psalms and Canticles, which were taken by Mr. Holt. The collection (\$21) was given to the choir fund of Christ Church. The church was crowded at the service.

**EMERSON AND DOMINION CITY.**—Rev. Mr. Mills has received a number of Bibles, Testaments and Prayer Books, for use in the Sunday-School and elsewhere. The books are the gift of Sir Brook Kay, of Cheltenham, England.

At the vestry meeting held in All Saints' Church, Dominion City, on Monday evening, W. A. Morkill and J. C. Cruse were re-elected wardens. The following gentlemen were elected vestry-men: Mr. Litt, Mr. T. Morkill, Mr. Marshall, Mr. G. Brad and Mr. Robinson. The wardens' report showed that since the church had been opened the receipts from all sources amounted to \$441. The debt on the church was reduced to \$200. A small organ had been purchased and paid for, and there were sufficient funds on hand to purchase carpet for the chancel and matting for the aisle. A cheque for \$20 was very kindly given to the incumbent in addition to the payment of his travelling expenses. Two ladies of the congregation, Miss Morkill and Mrs. Cruse, have, during the last six months, collected from friends of the church in Winnipeg the sum of \$99. All Saints' has certainly made a bright beginning. The members of the congregation, though few in numbers, are in earnest and are united. They love their little church and appreciate the services, and the time is not far distant, we trust, which will find them the centre of a large and important mission.

#### DIocese OF SASKATCHEWAN.

**BATTLEFORD.**—Rev. T. Clarke has returned to Battleford to make arrangements for re-opening the Industrial School for Indian Boys.

**FORT MACLEOD.**—Rev. Canon McKay, who has boldly ventured into Big Bear's camp to minister to the comforts of the captives, is the Anglican clergyman at Fort Macleod. He is widely known all over the North-West, and is held in the very highest esteem for his intellectual attainments, his personal qualities and his earnest piety. He is partly Cree by birth. When he expressed his determination to go into Big Bear's camp, he was warmly remonstrated with by many friends, but replied that he considered it his duty to go, and expressed the hope that, as he knew Big Bear personally, not only would his own safety be to a certain extent secured, but that he might be able to effect the release of the prisoners. Since he has gone into the camp of the hostile Indians, we have not had any further communication from him. The people here do not give Big Bear credit for the slightest amount of anything like chivalry, and regard him as sly, cowardly and utterly without principle, so that the friends of Canon McKay,

who live here, have no hopes whatever of his being able to succeed in effecting his object, and believe that he will be treated like the prisoners already in Big Bear's possession.

#### DIocese OF QU'APPELLE.

**FORT QU'APPELLE.**—FUNERAL OF THE LATE CAPT. FRENCH.—The mortal remains of the late Capt. French arrived in town on Friday morning from Batoche, escorted by 150 men of the 91st battalion, under Capt. Sheppard, and were taken direct to the camp, the funeral arrangements having been undertaken by the officers of the battalion. At three o'clock in the afternoon, the time appointed for the funeral, the Right Rev. Dr. Anson, Bishop of Qu'Appelle, accompanied by Rev. D. Lewis, of this place, arrived at the camp, also the members of the municipal corporation, and a large number of citizens. The procession was then formed. The escort of 150 men, in open order, with arms reversed, preceded the clergy and hearse, immediately following which was the riderless horse, with boots and spurs reversed. The pall-bearers were: Captains Rowe, Wastie, Jackson, Kennedy, Waugh, Cates and Crawford, and Lieutenant Smith, of the 91st. Upon the coffin were placed a number of floral crosses and wreaths. Municipal officers and citizens followed next behind the hearse, and then came the remainder of the battalion. The procession moved slowly to the place of sepulture, a beautiful location overlooking the valley, where the solemn and impressive burial service of the Church of England was performed by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Lewis.

#### British Columbia.

#### DIocese OF COLUMBIA.

**SOUTH SAANICH.**—A new Communion set has been presented to St. Stephen's Church by the Rev. T. G. Wright, late of Saanich, but now of Portsmouth, England.

#### Papers on the Progress and Work of the Church of England.

By THE REV. ARTHUR C. WAGHORNE, NEW HARBOR, TRINITY BAY, NEWFOUNDLAND.

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#### TESTIMONIES OF SOME DISSENTING NEWSPAPERS.

"THE CHRISTIAN COMMONWEALTH" ON THE ACTIVITY OF THE CHURCH.

This is one of the ablest of the dissenting papers. In 1883 it said, referring to the "Year Book of the Church":—"A record of the work of Church extension in England during the past fifty years is by no means the least valuable part of the book, for it will enable both friends and foes of the Church to form a fair estimate of her hold upon the English mind, and of her response to the ever-increasing cry of the people for a more earnest ministry and more simple teaching of the truths of the Gospel." Leicester is termed by a Church paper a centre of Radicalism and Dissent, yet the report shows that in this town alone, during the past fifty years, more than £100,000 have been spent in the erection of new churches, in addition to what has been laid out on restorations, endowments, parsonage houses and schools. It also shows that while the population of Leicester has increased during that time from 54,000 to 122,000, churches have increased from five to twenty-two, and that there is still a cry for more. In the diocese of Lichfield, too, we find that nearly £700,000 have been expended by the Church Extension Society, and in almost every diocese facts are enumerated which certainly prove that whatever the Church may be in her inner life and in her doctrinal teaching, she is strong in numbers and in property, and that her hold on the population of the country is not diminishing.

"THE CHRISTIAN COMMONWEALTH" ON THE RECENT GROWTH OF THE CHURCH AND DECLINE OF THE SECTS.

In 1881 this paper remarked as follows:—"But it cannot be denied that the Church of England upon the whole, has made great improvement within the present century; and while this is true, it must be conceded that some of the dissenting bodies have retrograded rather than advanced in the true elements of spiritual development."

"THE NEWCASTLE CHRONICLE" ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF STRENGTH AND DEVOTION IN THE CHURCH OF LATE YEARS.

Three years ago this paper, perhaps the most resolute advocate of advanced Radicalism in England said:—"While such is the opinion of Nonconformity (it believes the power of dissent to be decreasing) during recent years the Church of England has developed a strength and devotion that is beginning to tell upon the nation." \* \* \* Amidst the din and tumult of modern religious controversy, it is to the Church the nation must look for her real spiritual leaders. At the present moment our great theologians are mainly to be found within her pale."

"THE FREEMAN" (A BAPTIST PAPER) ON THE CONTRAST BETWEEN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, LONDON, NOW AND THIRTY YEARS AGO.

"Well do we remember attending a week day service at St. Paul's Cathedral in the days of the ascendancy of the Evangelical party in the Established Church, say thirty years ago. The entrance was at the side door, and few went in thereat. The marble monuments were all covered with dust, very few persons were present; three or four surpliced men dosed in the stalls. The whole business left the impression of a solemn farce, a corpse of religion from which the life was gone."

"Last Thursday morning we visited this great Metropolitan Cathedral. All the doors were open; a number of persons were flocking in; the place looked clean and orderly, and with signs of life and care. The choir was empty, but in the vast space under the dome there was a dense pack of human beings. Every seat was occupied; it was a wonderful gathering. Men whose countenance and demeanor showed that they were thinkers and thought leaders were there in abundance. There were clergymen in considerable numbers, apparently of all styles and clerical opinion."

"THE WATCHMAN" (METHODIST) ON THE GROWING INFLUENCE OF THE CHURCH, AND ITS VAST EDUCATIONAL WORK.

A few years since the *Watchman* said:—"The Church of England, at any rate, has a settled policy and a steadfast purpose. Directly and indirectly, it is increasing its hold every year on the growing population of England. Considerably more than half the education of the country is directly under its charge; and so far as the board school element is concerned, the Church of England contributes more of influence and inspiration than all other bodies put together. This may not be true of special neighborhoods or particular towns, but it is of the country at large. The majority of the board school teachers have been trained in Church of England training colleges; and of these teachers many are zealous Churchmen or Churchwomen, who cannot help infusing a Church tone into their religious lessons and exercises."

THE LATE MR. MIALI, M.P., ON THE REVIVAL OF THE PRESENT GODLY AND DEVOUT SPIRIT OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH.

This well known opponent of the Church, republished in 1867 his "Nonconformist Sketch Book," first printed in 1842, and in the preface he explained that many of the hard things he then said of the English Church were no longer true. He says:—