

KILBRIDE.—A very successful harvest festival was held by the united congregations of the Church members of Lowville, Nassagaweya, and Carlisle on the 29th ult. Service was held in the Hall in Kilbride (which was very tastefully decorated with grain, fruit and flowers) by the Rev. Rural Dean Osler, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Massy, and three others of the clergy. The sermon was preached by the Rural Dean. After the service a feast and a musical entertainment followed. The whole realized the handsome sum of nearly \$110, which was devoted to the parsonage fund.

The Rev. E. J. Fessenden, B.A., has been appointed to the Rectory of Chippewa, left vacant by the resignation of the Rev. D. I. F. McLeod, M. A. The Rev. Mr. Houston, M.A., Incumbent of Waterdown, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Fessenden in the incumbency of Clifton. The appointments are regarded as most excellent ones, satisfactory to the congregations concerned and highly creditable to the Ven. the Archdeacon who has made them.

QUEENSTON.—A church has been commenced on the banks of the Niagara River, not far from where the great Brock fell. It is built of stone, quarried from the Queenston Heights mountain, and is of Gothic architecture. The nave is 45 x 26, the chancel 17 x 19. The entrance is at the tower at the corner of the church. When finished it will cost about \$2,800. The walls and roof are completed, at a cost of about \$1,800. The inside is yet to be finished, and this is why it is necessary to bring the subject again before the Canadian public. A church costing \$2,800 is not an expensive one, and it would not be seemly or in accordance with the nature of things and the history of the place, to build one at any less cost. In fact, the amount would have been much greater had it not been for the large amount donated in way of drawing stone and cutting the same by those who had not money to give. A considerable portion of the \$1,800 has been collected outside, some of it in St. Catharines, Niagara, Hamilton and Toronto; but not a large amount in any of these places. So we feel that we can confidently call upon many persons even in these same places to further us in our work. It will be an acknowledgment that the Churchmen of Canada prize the valour of British statesmen on account of their loyalty to their God and their Church. That if Great Britain has become great it is because she has honored God; and He has honored her. A monumental church, therefore, will be an evidence that we prized the consistency of our hero's churchmanship. What is wanted is for some of our good church people to respond to this call. We want them to show some feeling in what we believe to be a laudable work, and we want them to exhibit that feeling by sending something to the chairman of the building committee, T. W. Dee, or to J. Fennell, towards finishing in a becoming style the beautiful church that has been so happily inaugurated.

ELORA.—The annual harvest festival of this parish was held on Wednesday, 11th inst. Early communion was celebrated at 9 a. m., at which a goodly number of clergy and laity were present. At 3 p. m. there was Evensong with sermon. The incumbent, Rev. H. L. Yewens, R. D., said the prayers, and Rev. — Racey, of Gorrie, diocese of Huron, and Rev. A. W. H. Chowne, of Hillsburg, read the lessons. Canon Dixon, of Guelph, preached from Acts xiv. 17. The discourse was an able exposition of the passage, abounding in choice sentiments, and evidence of mature thought. There were also present in the chancel Rev. R. C. Caswall, of Fergus, Rev. W. J. Pigott, of Moorefield, Rev. W. E. Grahame, of Harriston, and Rev. P. L. Spencer, of Palmerston. The singing was exceedingly hearty, being to a large extent antiphonal. The choir numbered upwards of twenty, and was ably assisted by the organist, Miss Yewens. The antiphonal mode was adopted in one of the hymns, the verses being sung alternately by male and female voices. The effect was very fine, and obviated fatigue. The decorations of the church were extremely beautiful and in good taste. Several texts of Scripture adorned the walls, and festoons of unthreshed grain, evergreen, &c., were suspended from the

roof. Various vines were hung against the windows, the sills of which were covered with the choicest specimens of fruit. A light screen stood in the entrance of the chancel and added not a little to the beauty of that part of the edifice. In the evening at 6 dinner was served to a large company in the drill shed, and still later the proceedings were enlivened by a musical and literary entertainment in the same place. The net proceeds of the feast and concert were about \$80.

HURON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON.—*Christ Church*—In the observance of her festivals in this western diocese, the revival in the Church, that has been the event of the age, is manifested. The observance of rites and ceremonies is no longer looked on as a remnant of superstition. A day of thanksgiving for the safe ingathering of the fruits of the earth has become a regular established festival in our churches. The special thanksgiving service of Harvest Home was held in Christ Church on Sunday, 8th inst. The church was beautifully decorated with the choice products of garden, field and orchard, and with appropriate texts from Holy Writ. The Rev. E. Bland, Rector of St. James's, Ingersoll, preached at morning and evening services to large congregations. All seemed to breathe a spirit of joyous thanksgiving to the Lord of the Harvest, who had blessed the labors of the husbandman with an abundant increase. On Monday evening was the festival in connection with the services of the preceding day. At half-past six the guests sat down to the feast in the Sunday school room in the basement of the church, and did ample justice to the delicacies of the season provided for them by the ladies of the church. And then all assembled in the church to enjoy the organ recital and sacred concert. Mr. W. Halle, organist of the church, played some choice pieces of music. The singing by Misses Raymond and Ellis, Messrs. P. Sutcliffe, D. B. Cordingly and F. Cole was highly appreciated. We have to congratulate the incumbent, Rev. J. W. P. Smith, and the congregation of Christ Church, on the pleasure they enjoyed in affording so delightful an entertainment to so many friends. The attendance at the festival was very large and all present enjoyed themselves. The decorations of the church and the Sunday school were well appropriated to the Harvest Home Festival. The fruit, grain, flowers and evergreens were arranged to the best advantage.

The special collection of St. Paul's Church on the 8th inst. for the church mission to Cuba amounted to \$73.

The Rev. John Gemley and Mrs. Gemley have returned from Europe. He preached on Sunday in Christ Church.

The Rev. Mr. Brown, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, has been appointed assistant minister of St. Paul's, London.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, Rev. Mr. Roy, of Montreal, preached in St. Paul's, London, pleading in behalf of the Church Mission to the French speaking people of Lower Canada. His sermon was a very forcible one and evidently made a good impression on the large congregation.

CAMLACHIE AND PERCHE.—The congregations of Christ Church and St. John's had a union harvest festival and pic-nic at the latter place on Thursday, the 12th. A short service was held in the church, in which the Revs. J. Jacobs, of the Sarnia Indian mission; W. Johnson, Parkhill, and J. Barefoot, pastor of the parish, took part. The old church was beautifully decorated with grain, vegetables, flowers and fruit. The walls were hung with appropriate mottoes and banners. The pic-nic was held in a beautiful grove on the banks of the lake. About 250 people sat down to a well provided table and enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Both the festival and pic-nic were a success.

ALGOMA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE SAULT STE. MARIE MISSION.—*Macdonald, Echo and Barr River Settlements.*—On the 3rd July the Bishop and his Chaplain started in an open boat on a missionary tour, to hold services in the township of Macdonald, Echo River and Barr River settlements. The weather was most intensely hot during the day, and at night the flies were so bad in spite of various smudge fires we lighted on the different sides of and even in out tent that we could scarcely rest at all. There was some mistake made in regard to making two of the appointments before we arrived, so that we had to go twice over some of the same ground in order to avoid disappointments, but on the whole the services were well and heartily attended throughout. The Bishop had to walk some distance under a broiling sun, and in the evenings through clouds of flies, to hold two services, and these were performed under peculiarly trying circumstances, for what with flies, heat and suffocating smudge fires it was almost unbearable, but under all these drawbacks, the Bishop made most earnest and telling addresses, which visibly stirred the hearts of many of his hearers. Our Bishop is a true missionary, and never thinks of his own bodily fatigue, in his Divine Master's holy cause, and is at all times willing to "spend and be spent" in His service.

Bruce Mines and St. Joseph Island.—On the 12th July I started in an open boat with a member of our choir here, and a young Englishman just out, on a missionary tour to the Bruce Mines and St. Joseph Island, &c. Towards evening we landed on the south side of Hay Lake, about 17 miles from the Sault, but immediately found that camping was out of the question, for the air was literally one mass of flies, we therefore contented ourselves with boiling the kettle on a fire some other party had made, (and before we arrived had wondered they had left), and being well bitten in the process, hurried into our boat, and made for the middle of the lake, there to enjoy anything but a peaceful tea, for our enemies took to the boat, and had followed us out. After tea we let go the anchor and tried to sleep, but without success, and therefore hauled it up again at 11, and rowed till 2, when it became so foggy that we had to again let go our anchor, and wait till daylight. Saturday afternoon we made St. Joseph Island, arranged for a service at Hilton, on the north side, for the following Tuesday, and arrived at the Bruce Mines in the evening, where we were most warmly welcomed and hospitably entertained. The people had been without a service of any kind at the Bruce Mines for quite a length of time, I therefore held two services there, both of which were largely attended, and most heartily joined in. Monday I spent in visiting some of the people in Bruce which has now a population of over 1,200 I am told, and on Tuesday started again for St. Joseph Island, and held a very hearty service at Hilton at 3 o'clock, and at 6 p.m., started for the south side of the Island, a distance of from twelve to thirteen miles over a new unknown (for I before went round the Island by water), and prior to this untravelling carriage road, we therefore had the honour of breaking in a baulky horse, and driving the first buggy across the Island; the settlers along the so-called road both going and returning, coming out and expressing their surprise and amazement at such a sight and sign of civilization. After going round the tops of trees that had fallen across the apology for a road, over rocks, and getting the wheels locked in sundry stumps, we arrived a little after 12 at night, and after repeated knocking at last succeeded in arousing Mr. and Mrs. Kent, who, notwithstanding our late arrival gave us a warm welcome, and provided us with sleeping accommodation, but our old enemies, the intense heat, mosquitoes, sand flies, black flies, &c., would hardly allow us to close our eyes. The very first thing in the morning we made for the lake, then returned to breakfast, visited all the morning on foot at the different settlers' houses, and returned in time to hold service at Mr. Young's at 3 o'clock, which was largely attended. Many of the people came from quite a distance, and all lamented that they were deprived for such a space of time of the visits of a clergyman, and of "the