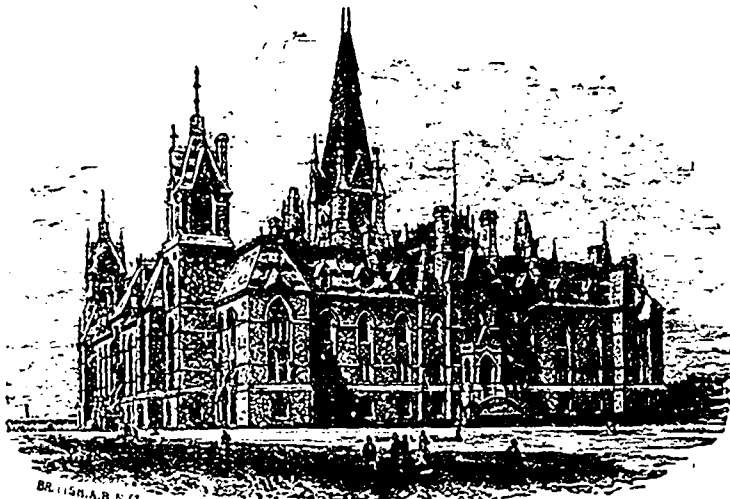




OTTAWA: PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, WEST BLOCK.

the charge of the Chapel-of-Ease, which was made a separate parish and called the Bishop's Chapel. At once the chapel was enlarged and 250 sittings added by building a nave and chancel, leaving the original portion as transepts. The church becoming free of debt it was consecrated Dec. 6th, 1874, under the name of St. John the Evangelist. In 1877 the Bishop resigned the charge, and at the unanimous desire of the parish, appointed as his successor the Rev. H. Pollard, who for some years had been acting as Curate. Since that time the property adjoining the church on the north has been purchased and used in part for Sunday School purposes, and it is now contemplated to enlarge the present school room, which is far too small for the growing Sunday School, and also build a rectory on the land facing the park.

ST. ALBANS. In prospect of the seat of Government being changed to Ottawa, it was necessary to make further preparations for members of the Church of England attached to the Civil Service, and the Bishop of Ontario asked the Rev. T. Bedford-Jones, S.T.D., Trinity College, Dublin, to take charge of a new district in the east end of the city, with the understanding that the church should be free with weekly Communion and daily prayer. The first service was held in the Court House on the afternoon of Sunday, Oct. 22nd, 1865, when 186 persons attended. A Sunday School was soon commenced, and on Advent Sunday the Holy Communion was administered for the first time, and the parish fully organized under the title of St. Alban the Martyr. For two years the Court House was occupied by the congregation until a church could be built. The beautiful design drawn by T. B. Fuller, Esq., was found too expensive, on considering the sandy nature of the site on Daly street, and Mr. Fuller's pupil, F. Arnoldi, Esq., having prepared a reduced plan, building operations were commenced, and

the corner stone laid by the Ven. Archdeacon Patton, D.C.L., and the Masonic fraternity (nine clergymen being present) on Thursday, May 9th, 1867. The building which comprised the nave and basement of the present structure was completed and opened for service on Sunday, Sept. 8th. On that occasion the Rector preached in the morning, and the Rev. J. S., now Archdeacon Lauder, in the evening. The offerings in money amounted to \$119 67, while gifts to the value of \$762 were presented to the church. The cost of erection, including the site (\$2,200) was about \$11,500. Nearly ten years passed by, and after various unsuccessful

efforts the church as it now stands, with fine chancel and chapel room, was completed and reopened on Sunday, Feb. 18th, 1877. The Metropolitan, Bishop Oxenden, preached at both services on that occasion. On the appointment of Dr. Bedford-Jones as Rector of Napanee and Archdeacon of Kingston, the Rev. J. J. Bogert took charge of St. Albans, and still remains its Rector.

ST. GEORGE'S. Described in the last issue of the CANADIAN CHURCH MAGAZINE AND MISSION NEWS.

Standing on the central tower of the Parliament Buildings, facing south, and having the river flowing immediately behind us, we have a view of the whole city of Ottawa and its suburbs. On the left, facing the park and just across the canal is the Church of St. John the Evangelist; moving the eye a little to the westward, St. Alban the Martyr is visible, directly south is St. George's Church, and on the right hand the spire of Christ Church rises on the bluff, at the end of Sparks street, with its fine stone rectory adjoining. These are the four city churches proper. Turning once again to the east, Government House—Rideau Hall—is seen, and just at the foot of the lawn the little Church of St. Bartholomew, New Edinburgh. Built in 1867, it has generally been the church attended by the Governor-General, and the Princess Louise presented a peal of three bells. The Rev. E. A. W. Hanington is the Rector.

Passing on to the west, the mission chapel in the "classic region" of Anglesea Square may be seen, a neat wooden building with a bell turret, erected some two years ago. There is a flourishing Sunday School of about 70, and a mission service each Sunday afternoon, attended by about as many. This is a part of St. John's parish.

Following the line of Rideau street, past the hospital that crowns the height of Sandy Hill,