

umns, will doubtless attract many to the study of the book. We would further note an excellent article on Dr. Salmon's Christian Doctrine of Immortality, a charming one on the letters of Lord Blachford (Frederick Rogers), and several others of considerable interest, besides a number of short notices.

The Expository Times for May is in various respects an important number. For example, in the Notes of Recent Exposition, there are some remarks of great value upon a new work of Dr. E. A. Abbott, entitled, "The Spirit on the Waters." We wish to speak quite respectfully of scholars and learned men, and Dr. Abbott is all this; but we believe, with the editor of *The Expository Times*, that the effect of his book, if it had any effect, would be the overthrow of the Christian faith. Under the plea of preserving Christian principles he would destroy the facts of Christian history. Every fact of the Creed is evaporated, and yet Dr. Abbott calls himself a Christian. A very interesting set of notes are those on the controversy between Dr. Harnock and Professor Gwatkin as to the authorship of the Fourth Gospel. Happily, both are agreed that the date of the Gospel is between A.D. 80 and 110. There seems no good reason, therefore, for departing from the old belief that St. John the Apostle, and not John the Presbyter, was the author. A very pretty sketch of Dean Bingor, by two divines who were formerly assistants in his parish work, will be read with interest. Professor Sayce continues his archaeological commentary on Genesis, and a number of contributions and comments conclude an excellent number.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

MONTREAL.

WILLIAM B. BOND, D.D., BISHOP, MONTREAL.

ST. REMI.—*St. George's Church*.—The quaint little stone church, situated about two miles out of the village of St. Remi, has been re-opened for service after a lapse of several years. The graveyard and grounds, which but a very short time ago presented a very desolate looking appearance, have been put into good condition, and the interior of the church has been thoroughly renovated; in fact, all who took part in the work are to be congratulated upon their success. On Sunday evening, the 9th of May, the opening service was conducted by the Rev. T. W. Ball, M.A. A very pretty bouquet was placed upon the communion table and another on the font. A very hearty service was entered into, and as the benediction was being pronounced one could not help but feel the solemnity of the occasion.

ONTARIO.

J. T. LEWIS, D.D., LL.D., ARCHBISHOP OF ONT., KINGSTON.

KINGSTON.—The dean of St. George's cathedral, the organist and choir-master will issue an invitation to the choirs of all the Anglican churches in the city to join in a united service in the cathedral on the evening of Jubilee day, June 22nd. This will bring together about 150 voices. The intention is to have orchestral accompaniment. The service will undoubtedly be a very interesting and a very fitting feature of the Jubilee.

The Venerable Archdeacon Bedford Jones, Commissary of the Archdiocese during the absence of Archbishop Lewis in Europe, has issued an address to the members of the diocese of Ontario calling for the commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee by raising \$5,000, the interest to be utilized in assisting struggling missions in their efforts to erect suitable places of worship. He asks for special contributions for this purpose during June.

OTTAWA.

CHARLES HAMILTON, D.D., BISHOP, OTTAWA.

TWEED.—On Thursday evening, 29th ult., the Lord Bishop of Ottawa administered the Apostolic rite of "laying on of hands" in St. James' Church. Seldom, indeed, is it the privilege of any one to attend such a beautiful and soul-inspiring service as that which was held on this occasion. The little church itself was prettily decorated with flowers, and the sacred edifice was crowded to excess, and it

was found necessary to place seats in the aisle. It cannot be too well known what "the order of confirmation" really is. It is not what is commonly called "joining the Church." What it is was most clearly shown in the plain words spoken by his lordship, Dr. Hamilton. His lordship gave a most eloquent and impressive address, which was listened to with rapt attention. His words and sayings were, as he told the people, not his words, but that the same words, the same truth and the same service have been said, taught, and used in Christ's Church from the time of the Apostles to the present time, for a period of nearly 1,900 years, some of the prayers used in the service of the order of confirmation having been in constant use, word for word, in the Church for over 1,200 years. As was clearly shown by his lordship, the teachings of the Church are not the opinions of men: men may easily differ in their opinions. His lordship arrived in Tweed from Kingston on the C.P.R. train at 4 p.m., accompanied by the Rev. C. T. Lewis, the much loved and respected pastor of this parish, who had gone east as far as Kaladar to meet his lordship. A deputation consisting of Messrs. J. J. Porrit, warden, Joseph Rath, sr., Wm. Wray and others, were at the station and heartily welcomed his lordship and escorted him to a carriage that was in waiting in charge of Mr. R. Coulter, who then drove him to the parsonage, where he was entertained. In the evening his lordship administered the holy rite of confirmation to forty-nine persons, forty-four being presented by the Rev. C. T. Lewis and five by the Rev. H. J. Spencer, of Flinton. The following clergymen were also present: Rev. Mr. Serson, Tamworth; Rev. Mr. Burton, Madoc; and the Rev. Mr. Costigan, Queensboro. The majority of the 44 candidates presented by the Rev. C. T. Lewis were adults—16 of whom were converts from amongst the various sects. They came from their various out-stations of the Tweed mission, viz., ten from Actinolite; eight from Stoco; eight from Sheffield station and eighteen from Tweed and district around. His lordship left on noon train next day for Ottawa, and before leaving expressed himself as being very much pleased with his visit to Tweed.

OSNABRUCK AND MOULINETTE.—The happily-anticipated visit of our beloved bishop is past and over, and we are rejoicing in the added strength and freshened interest which his sojourn among us has been the means of imparting. On arriving at Wales at 4 p.m. on May 3rd, his lordship was met at the station by the rector, churchwardens and a large number of the church people. Across the street, between the church and the rectory, three large Union Jacks waved their welcome in the breeze. A reception was tendered to his lordship in the basement of the church immediately on his arrival, and the following address was read by Mr. W. J. Ransom (representing the six churchwardens, and through them the people of the parish):

To the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Ottawa:

Right Rev. and Dear Father-in-God.—The members of the Church in the parish of Osnabruk and Moulinette desire to tender to your lordship a hearty and respectful welcome on this your first official visit to this parish. We remember with the liveliest feelings of pleasure your lordship's first visit among us, when, two years ago, in the absence of our own bishop, through sickness, you kindly came and consecrated the church of St. David and administered the sacrament of confirmation both in that church and in Christ church, Moulinette. It is, therefore, with peculiar pleasure that we welcome you when you come to us in the character of our own Father-in-God. It was a matter of great satisfaction to us all when the news reached us of your lordship's election to the new diocese of Ottawa, and again, when in due time that election was ratified, and all uncertainty as to your coming to take up the work of organizing our new diocese was, by the House of Bishops, brought to an end. As one of the oldest and strongest country parishes in the diocese, we beg to assure your lordship of our unfaltering loyalty to the Ancient Catholic Church of England; of our affection for your person; and our obedience to all the rightful claims you make upon us in the exercise of your holy and apostolic office. With the many millions throughout the world who constitute the great Anglican Communion, we are one in our love for that sober standard of faith and practice which is so characteristic of the Church of England, as she stands distinguished from all Papal and Puritan innovations, and as she adheres to the doctrine of the cross. We believe that in the Christian faith "what is true is not new, and what is new is not true." The Church of England, while cherishing this precious heritage which has come down to her from apostolic times, has shown herself capable of advancing with the age; old, yet ever young; moulding and fashioning by her Divine in dwelling power the wills of men and the aims of society; proving that the old Church, the mother of English Christianity, the preserver of

our liberties, is ever the same; reforming where reform is needed, yet holding fast by the faith once for all delivered to the saints. We earnestly pray that your lordship may long be spared in health and strength to work for the extension of God's kingdom in this diocese, and we believe that your devoted and loving labours will result in the lengthening of the cords and the strengthening of the stakes of our beloved Church in the field over which you have been called to rule as chief pastor. On behalf of the three congregations of the parish: Robt. W. Samwell, rector; W. J. Ransom, F. Warren, churchwardens of St. David's, Wales; H. Waldorf, N. Froom, churchwardens of Christ church, Moulinette; J. Weagant, W. E. Poape, churchwardens of Osnabruk Centre. The reply of the bishop was most interesting. He expressed his thankfulness for the strong spirit of loyalty (a refreshing and inspiring word!) to the Church and her clergy, which was made manifest by the attractive language of their address. The Church was the "Body of Christ," and loyalty to the Body was loyalty to the Head, for Jesus and his Church were one. He warned them, however, that it was in times of trial and distress that loyalty was most clearly proved. It was comparatively easy to be loyal when all things went well with them and their parish flourished, but he trusted and believed that if the time came (which God forbid!) when their faith and patience were sorely tried, when matters did not go so well with them as they did then, their loyalty would come through the ordeal not only undiminished but strengthened by adversity. He thanked them heartily for their good wishes and warmly reciprocated their affection. At the conclusion of his reply, which was received with much appreciation, all present were introduced to the bishop, who had a kindly word and a warm grasp of the hand for each one. Refreshments were then served by the ladies, and a very pleasant social hour was spent. The bishop then proceeded to Moulinette, where he was joined by the Revs. Rural Dean Houston and S. G. Poole from Cornwall. The church was crowded to overflowing. The beautiful service of confirmation was preceded by two Scripture lessons, two hymns, and the Litany of the Holy Ghost (the latter sung by the rector and people in alternate verses). The bishop wore his scarlet chimere and mitre, and carried his pastoral staff. The service was deeply impressive. On Tuesday afternoon the bishop privately confirmed two aged and infirm persons in their humble dwelling, and the same evening administered the sacrament of Holy Baptism to an infant, followed by that of confirmation to a number of candidates at St. Peter's church, Osnabruk Centre, in the presence of an exceedingly large congregation. This was the first visit of a bishop to that place, and therefore an event of peculiar interest to the community. On Wednesday morning his lordship celebrated the Holy Communion in St. David's church at 8 a.m., followed shortly afterward by Matins and Litany. In the afternoon at 2.30 a large congregation assembled for a baptismal service, when four infants were baptized and three publicly received into the church by the bishop. The congregation, accompanied by the rector, Rev. T. Stiles, and the bishops, in their robes, then proceeded two and two to the new burial ground about a quarter of a mile from the village, where a most impressive service of consecration took place. The beauty of the ceremony was heightened by the singing of the following appropriate hymns led by St. David's choir, "On the Resurrection Morning," "Days and Moments Quickly Flying," "For all the Saints Who from Their Labours Rest." The bishop gave an interesting address in which he spoke of the body as having part in the great redemption. He explained the meaning of the consecration and urged upon the members of the church the duty of taking proper and reverent care of the resting place of their beloved dead. In touching words he also dwelt upon the comfort and hope to the Christian which sprang out of their belief in the resurrection. At the conclusion of the ceremony the people returned in order to the church and then dispersed. In the evening at 7.30, the church was crowded to the doors for the third confirmation service. The bishop and clergy robed in the basement and went in procession from thence to the church, entering by the north-west door. The lessons were read by the Rev. T. Stiles and W. G. Poole, and the rector presented a goodly number of candidates for the Apostolic rite. At each confirmation service the bishop gave two addresses, the second being of the nature of counsels for a holy life. The large congregations listened with close attention, and, evidently, deep interest to the wise, loving and helpful words which fell from his lips. His lordship's instructions on the faith were definite and clear, just what are wanted in these days. Fifty candidates in all were confirmed, together with one from Holy Trinity church, Cornwall. We all feel stronger for this memorable visit of our bishop, stronger in the faith, stronger in