

we with them; thaa there is only one family, one brotherhood, one church, one army,—although

“Part of the host have crossed the flood”.

When we consider the youthfulness of Manitoba, and the Church of the North-West; and, when we remember the many and serious difficulties that have had to be faced, we may well thank God that we have among us, such an institution as St. John's has been for so many years, and continues to be.

It is an easy thing for one who has been brought up in Great Britain, or in one of the Eastern Provinces of Canada, to criticize and desiderate our Manitoban Church College; but it is not a fair and just thing to do.

The colleges of the “old land” are the growth of many centuries; during these centuries, untold wealth poured in upon them; they were nursed by the princely generosity of generations of monarchs, and nobles, and wealthy men; generation after generation of learned men endowed them with a prestige which could only come with the passing of ages. The same thing may be said, in a less degree, of the colleges in the East.

If St. John's College goes on developing during the next 30 years, as it has done since its new foundation in 1866, the Churchmen of the North-West will not desire any better education for their sons and daughters, than that provided in their own Church College.

In giving to our readers, the order of service observed in the commemoration on All Saints' Day, 1898, and the inspiring sermon preached by His Grace the Archbishop, we desire to call attention to the piety and beneficence of the men and women of a former generation, and to counsel the churchmen and churchwomen of to-day to emulate their example.

We, with them, have “one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in us all”. May we be one with them in our care for the work of Christ and His Church; may we deny ourselves, that the work of Christian Education may be carried on with efficiency

His Grace calls attention to the great need there is at St. John's for a College Chapel, where the services of the church may daily be carried on in decency and order. Too much cannot be said in support of this. A college where so many of the students are in residence, is incomplete without a chapel. It would be impossible to estimate the far-reaching influences of the collegiate life at Oxford and Cambridge on the social life of the country at large. The men who have had the advantage of such a training, have been the backbone of the nation. In this new land, we need such men; and, if we would see the gradual building up of a pure and refined social life, we must lay the foundations in an education, that is hallowed by a religious atmosphere, and cemented by the bond of regular and frequent common worship.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S SERMON.

“Then Samuel took a stone and set it between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it Ebenezer, saying: Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.”

This was an act of commemoration on the part of Samuel. By this Ebenezer or “stone of help” he commemorated the goodness of God to Israel. He intended this stone to stand out in the future as a memorial to bring back to remembrance the mercies of the past. Israel had been in deep water. They had suffered great reverses. They had been crushed in battle. The ark of God had been taken. But now all was changed. Under the guiding hand of Samuel the people had humbled themselves before God for all their past sin and ingratitude, and God had wonderfully delivered them. The storms of heaven—the thunder and lightning—had fought for them and now when the day was over, and the yoke of the uncircumcised was cast off, Samuel raised this memorial to the Lord.

This day on which we have met, is a great memorial day of the church of God. It is called All Saint's day, because we remember on it the many saints of God, who having obtained a good report through faith, have entered into rest. They are a great multitude, so that no man can number them. They are all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues. St. John in the Revelations that he received, saw them standing before the throne and before the Lamb clothed in white robes and with palms in their hands. With loud voice they proclaimed “Salvation to our God, which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.” The church calls on us to-day to seek grace that we may follow these blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which God has prepared for them that unfeignedly love Him.

And this is also a memorial day of our college. This is the birthday of its new foundation. On this day 32-years ago it once more opened its doors. It had a previous history, of which it may well be proud. For many years it filled a most useful place in this community. It represents the first English school in this country. What this means only those can appreciate who know the ignorance, roughness, almost heathenism, that it found. Governor Semple, who fell in the conflict at Seven Oaks, near this, thus des-

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