

their vows. The Church was fairly filled, and the congregation, including some Church people from Ottawa, on the other side of the river in the diocese of Ontario, was most reverent and attentive. Miss Ottawa Johnston, a daughter of the venerable Rector, presided at the organ with her usual ability, while the choir, which mustered in full strength, was under the direction of Mr. Elburne. The service was a touchingly solemn one, and consisted simply of Morning Prayer and the Confirmation Service, including an address and sermon by the Bishop. In the afternoon of the same day the Bishop left for Aylmer, where he held another Confirmation, and also consecrated a burying ground. He will hold Confirmation at Shawville, on Sunday the 12th inst, at Portage-du-Fort, on Monday the 13th, and at Bryson on Tuesday the 14th.

#### DIocese OF ONTARIO.

The able lecture on "Agnosticism" delivered by the Bishop of Ontario at the time of the Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Synod in June, has been printed as desired by the Synod, and can now be had at the principal book stores at Ottawa and Kingston.

**PERSONALS.**—The Venerable the Archdeacon of Ottawa and the Rev. W. B. Carey, of Kingston, are rusticated at the Caledonia Springs.

The Rev. J. Godden, Incumbent of Stirling, is visiting his home in Newfoundland.

The Rev. J. May, of Ottawa, is an applicant for the position of Inspector of Protestant schools at Winnipeg.

The Rev. H. B. Patton, took charge of the Mission at Bell's Corners and Hazledean last week.

Mr. Carson, the newly-appointed Lay Leader for the Mission of Gloucester, officiated for the first time on Sunday August 5th, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Billing Bridge.

The Rev. Samuel McMorine, the new Incumbent at Archville, has already shown himself to be well suited for the Mission. He is an indefatigable worker and the congregation and general condition of the Mission are now steadily improving. He has just formed a Bible class in connection with Trinity Church. He has also begun the building of a "Church boat," for the use on the Rideau Canal of Church people of Ottawa, Stewar-ton, etc., desirous of attending the services at Archville.

**ROCHESTERVILLE.**—It is reported that a Lay Reader for Rochester ville to assist the Rev. Thomas Garrett, will shortly be appointed. I give the report for what it is worth, but place little credence in it.

**PERTH.**—The net proceeds of the strawberry festival held recently in connection with Saint James' Church amounted to \$156.06. Subscriptions from some members of the congregation increased this amount so that the Churchwardens were enabled to pay half a year's interest on the parsonage debt (\$950.) and to reduce the principal \$200. The debt on the parsonage now amount to \$750, making the entire debt on the parish at present \$1000. The Churchwardens have had the Church free from debt on the sacred edifice, for many years past.

**MABERLY.**—Mr. and Mrs. J. Morrow have kindly given a deed of half an acre of land to be held in the name of the Synod of the Diocese, for a church and parsonage at this village. The Misses Matheson and Mr. Peter McLaren, all of Perth, have also generously subscribed the sums of \$8 and \$50, respectively, towards the same object.

**ROSLYN.**—The Church at this village, is undergoing repairs at present, to cost between \$700 and \$800. A new spire is in course of construction, and the Church itself being newly clapboarded and painted, while small stained glass windows

will replace the present old unsightly ones. The Incumbent, Churchwardens and congregation have good reason to congratulate themselves on the near completion of this necessary work.

**CARLETON PLACE.**—The choir of Saint James' Church had a very nice excursion on Saturday, the 21st ult. The members, to the number of about twenty-two, with several personal friends, met on board the "Morning Star," for an excursion to Pretty's Island. Shortly after landing, refreshments were partaken of, after which amusements of various kinds, songs, etc., were indulged in till 8 p. m., when the return call was sounded, and the large party got on board for the home trip, all perfectly delighted with the day's journey.

The various Sunday Schools throughout the Diocese are with a few exceptions now holding their annual picnics. So far they have been largely attended and greatly enjoyed by teachers and children, and in many cases by their friends as well. Great credit is due to those superintendents and teachers for the interest and trouble taken by them in organizing and superintending these picnics.

#### Province of Rupert's Land.

INCLUDING THE DIOCESES OF RUPERT'S LAND, SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSONEE & ATHABASCA.

#### DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

The following correspondence of the *Toronto Globe* will be found interesting:—"Archdeacon Kirkby, while addressing a missionary meeting at Pittsburg during the recent diocesan convention, directed the attention of his audience to the progress of the Church of England in Canada and the great North-West. Of the Indians alone she had christianized upwards of 10,000, while of the same race in the United States the Protestant Episcopal Church, owing to the government policy could point only to about 2,000, nor were there more than about 6,000 Christian non-Roman Catholic Indians in the whole of America that were not British. He then gave a graphic sketch of the four dioceses constituting the ecclesiastical province of Ruperts Land. First came his portrait of

#### THE METROPOLITAN.

Dr. Machray, Bishop of Ruperts Land, who had exchanged the dignified ease attaching to the life of a Fellow of Sydney Sussex College, Cambridge, England, for the wear and tear, the labours and responsibilities of a missionary bishop in what was twenty years ago nearly an unknown land. The bishop is a noted educationist, and has founded at Winnipeg a magnificently worked institution, St. John's College, for the purpose of turning out men fit not only for the office of the sacred ministry but also for secular life. Towards the sustenance of this establishment he devotes the proceeds of his Cambridge fellowship, some \$2,500 a year—revenues which he enjoys in virtue of his having deliberately devoted himself to celibacy, in order that he may thus be enabled to retain his collegiate berth for the good of the Church. For the fund raised to build the college, to pay its professors, and to keep it going generally, he has personally rendered himself responsible, and has compassed land and sea to collect money in its behalf. Besides all this he has himself done the work of an evangelist, having traversed on foot, in dog sleighs, in canoes, in the rudest of vessels and vehicles, the whole of his vast diocese, in addition to much of that which is now under the jurisdiction of his three suffragans.

#### THE BISHOP OF SASKATCHEWAN.

Dr. John McLean is another apostolic man cast in the same heroic mould. A hardy Caledonian, of rough exterior but of child-like simplicity and the most loving disposition, he has undergone perils and been mixed up in adventures which are comparable only to those of St. Paul. His powers of persuasion, as he preaches the living Gospel, are well-nigh irresistible, and as he pleads the

cause of his Indians and of the countless number of whites whom the vast stream of immigration is yearly pouring into his diocese, his rugged eloquence forces the tear from the eye—and the dollars from the purse. So thoroughly is this understood, that a few years ago, when the late Archbishop of Canterbury was calling on him to address a large missionary meeting in Exeter Hall, London, his grace, failing to remember, or being unable to pronounce the name of his brother bishop's remote diocese, introduced him at last, after three attempts at saying the right thing, as the "Bishop of Catch-all-he-can," with the added remark that the name amply expressed his powers of successful begging. By this name Bishop McLean is now the best known in England.

#### THE BISHOP OF MOOSONEE.

John Horden, D. D., is another typical successor of the Apostles. While in holy orders in the south of England he was also headmaster of a grammar school near Exeter, and busily engaged in his work. One Monday morning he unexpectedly received a letter from the Church Missionary Society House in London, offering him a missionary appointment on the Moose River, with two conditions annexed to the offer, namely, that he must go out as a married man and that he should start within a fortnight at the latest. He was not as yet provided with a wife, he had, in fact, never made any movement in that line; nor did he just know where to find a helpmeet likely to share such a hard lot as his was likely to be. He bethought himself however, of one in the extreme north of England, with whom he was fairly acquainted. The lady, he thought, would just suit the work if he would suit her. He, therefore, wrote to her by that post explaining the position in which he was placed. Taking in the situation, the lady wrote back by return that she was very much at his disposal, and would be ready for matrimony, and the voyage to the New World within a week. This answer he received late on the Thursday. He continued teaching his school till the Saturday morning, when he packed up all his books, sent them off to Plymouth, and himself started for the north. The next day, Sunday, and all as it was, he was married, and on the following Tuesday, had embarked at Liverpool for his distant mission. On his arrival there his first business was to learn the language, which he did in a few months. Unfortunately, however, he began to preach a little too soon and made several ludicrous blunders. On one occasion he was conscious of a "loud smile" pervading the assembly, and on after enquiry found that he informed the audience that "God formed Eve out of Adam's tobacco-pipe," the words for "rib" and "tobacco-pipe" being very familiar in sound and spelling in the Indian tongue. To Bishop Horden is due the reducing of the Cree and other Indian dialects to the syllabic form, thereby enabling the natives to read the Bible and Prayer Book in a printed shape. In order to afford them these facilities, Bishop Horden sent the manuscript copies of these books carefully translated, edited, and written out by himself and Mrs. Horden to the Church Missionary Society House in London, with the request that the officials would cause a number of impressions to be struck off in type and sent out to Moose Factory, where the people and himself waited anxiously for the arrival of the annual vessel. At length one day she was seen and the excitement was at fever heat. Two huge cases were disembarked. "These are the books," cried all. They were opened; but instead of what they looked for was an array of cranks and cylinders, and plates, and more boxes, which on investigation turned out to be full of type. The whole formed the complete plant of a printing and bookbinding establishment, with the added message that the Crow tongue being an impossibility for English compositors the Church Missionary Society saw no other method of helping the Bishop than by sending him out the means of publishing his own prayer-books and Bibles. Nothing daunted, the Bishop set to work and soon got the presses together, and in a wonderfully short time had the books in print, subsequently binding them as well.

(To be Continued.)