

ever liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who art the brightness of the Father's glory, and the express image of His Person, the chief Corner-Stone and immovable foundation of Thy Church, we would lay this Stone in Thy name. Be Thou, we beseech Thee, the beginning, the increase, and the consummation of this our work which is undertaken to the glory of Thy Name, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost liveth, one God, for evermore. Amen.

The corner stone was then duly laid by the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, who said:

In the faith of Jesus Christ, and to the glory of His Holy Name, we lay this Corner-Stone in the Name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. Here let the true faith, the fear of God, and brotherly love ever remain; here may the Gospel of Salvation be freely proclaimed, and the rich and poor meet together to worship the Lord the Maker of them all. Amen.

A hymn was then sung, at the conclusion of which an address was delivered by the Most Rev. the Metropolitan. His Lordship, after a fitting reference to the famous day chosen for this ceremony, pointed out the principle of self-sacrifice that actuated the Loyalists, and expressed the hope that their descendants would not be wanting in that spirit. They are now about to erect a house for the praise of God; they should take care that their lives and ways of action will commend themselves to the Lord. In conclusion, His Lordship pointed out that the Church should be for the poor as well as for the rich, and he prayed for God's blessing on the work. Another hymn was then sung, a prayer was offered and the Metropolitan pronounced the benediction.

The singing was by the choirs of all the Churches in the City, Portland and Carleton, and was under the leadership of Prof. DeVine. The clergymen present were Rev. Canon DeVeber, Rev. Canon Brigstocke, Rev. Canon Walker, Revs. G. M. Armstrong, L. G. Stevens, E. H. Woodman, E. R. Warnerford, J. H. Campbell, Dr. Jarvis, Rev. Messrs. Pickett, Partridge, Love, Gardner, Handford, Alexander, Dowling, Sill, Wilkinson, Spike and Greer.

The trowel used was procured from the United States, and bore the following inscription, which was engraved by Mr. R. H. Green: "Presented by the Rector, Churchwardens and Vestry of Trinity Church, in the City of Saint John, N.B., Canada, to the Right Rev. John Medley, D.D., Lord Bishop of Fredericton, Metropolitan of Canada, May 19th, 1879, at the laying of the Corner Stone of Trinity Church in the said City, to replace the Church destroyed in the great fire, June 20, A.D. 1877." The presentation of the trowel to His Lordship was made by John Sears, Esq.

The new Church is to be built of lime stone, with cut free stone trimmings, and the entire length will be 170 feet, the width 52 feet, and the height to the stone cross 80 feet. The front on Germain street, as well as the front of the School-house on Charlotte street, will be of gray lime stone, laid rock face and pointed with colored cement. The sides and back will be of square lime stone, rubble work, and the front of the Church and tower, random coarse work with small stones. The sides and back of the spire are to be of square rubble work pointed with colored cement. The spire is to be 200 feet high, and is to contain the city clock, facing in four directions.

The architect is Mr. W. T. Thomas, of Montreal, and Mr. R. C. John Dunn acts as the superintending architect. The contractors for the entire work are Messrs J. G. McDonald & Co., and the contract price is \$55,000.

Trinity Church was the oldest sacred edifice in the City of St. John, having been commenced in 1788, and finished in 1791. Previous to 1791, the loyalists attended divine worship in a building on Germain Street, between Duke and Queen Streets. The erection of this building was one of the first acts of those who came here in 1788 from the revolted colonies. The work on old Trinity Church was begun in 1788. The corner-stone was laid on the 20th of August, by Bishop Charles Inglis, first Colonial Bishop of the Church of England, who on that day held his first confirmation and delivered his first charge to his clergy in New Brunswick. On Christmas day, 1791, the church was opened for service. The

structure was an unpretentious building, 86 by 56 feet in size, and it was found necessary more than once to enlarge it.

QUEBEC.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

INTERCESSION FOR MISSIONS.—In obedience to the pastoral letter of the Bishop of the Province, special services were held on Tuesday the 20th in St. Matthew's, St. Paul's, and St. Peter's. At the latter church the Rev. H. H. Barber, of Newcastle, N. B., delivered a most interesting and suitable address. In St. Matthew's there were three special services on each of the Rogation days. On Ascension morning there were the usual services with celebrations of the Holy Communion in all the churches, and a united service of Intercession in the cathedral at eight o'clock in the evening. The Lord Bishop of the Diocese delivered the address. The offertory was devoted to the Algoma Diocesan Fund.

THE NORTH-WEST.—Arrangements are being made to hold a meeting during the Session of Synod on behalf of the mission work in the Diocese of Rupert's Land, when the Rev. Canon O'Meara will give an account of the needs of that vast mission field.

ONTARIO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BELLEVILLE.—St. Thomas'.—The work of restoration in the church is progressing rapidly. The whole edifice is now enclosed and ready to receive the slating.

Christ Church.—This church has been closed for a few weeks while the interior is undergoing repairs and improvements. The congregation will worship during the interval in the city hall.

MARMORA.—This mission, which was lately set apart from the Stirling mission, is building itself up and prospering under the incumbency of its estimable young clergyman, Rev. Mr. Harris.

KEMPTVILLE.—As the St. Lawrence Clerical Association happened to meet this week in this parish, it was thought a good opportunity to have the corner-stone of St. Augustine's church, Acton's Corners, laid in due form, and accordingly the whole number of the members present on Thursday the 15th May, drove to the spot, 4 miles west of Kemptville, where, on a very short notice, a goodly assemblage was gathered. The clergy, eight in number, robed in the Orange Hall, and thence walked in procession chanting the 122nd Psalm. After the corner-stone service was over, which was done by the rector, assisted by his two assistant curates, some excellent and appropriate speeches were delivered by the Rev. Wm. Lewin, of Prescott, and the Rev. Geo. White, of Iroquois. The offertory deposited on the stone as an earnest of good will, amounted to \$8.80. For many years divine service in that place has been performed on week-days in a rough school-house, and now in the Orange hall, and this little church has been started by the offer of Mr. Stannage to contribute \$600 towards it out of his English collection, if the people would do the rest. Such, however, is the backwardness of that part of the mission, and the present hard times, that only about \$100 could be raised in money; but the people have shewn much praiseworthy zeal in quarrying and hauling the stone and sand a long distance in deep snow, and in furnishing a good many of the timbers, &c., &c. This little free-seated stone church will be only 45 feet long and 24 wide in the nave. The want of funds will not permit the erection of the chancel at present, an arch being left in the east end ready to carry it out at some future day. The design and plans are by the Rev. A. Spencer, who also built St. Paul's and St. Anne's in this mission, and who has become quite an expert in ecclesiastical architecture. This church is to be called St. Augustine, after St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, where Mr. Read was educated, and where Mr. S. lived three years while raising funds for his four new churches.

THE ST. LAWRENCE CLERICAL UNION.—On Tuesday evening the 13th inst., this Union met at Kemptville, Ont. Evensong was said by Rev. G. J. Low, Merrickville; the lessons being read by Rev. G. W. White, of Iroquois, Ont., and the Venerable Archdeacon Clemson, of Waddington, N. Y. Rev. J. D. Morrison, of Ogdensburgh, N. Y., delivered an address on "The Continuity of the Church," and was followed by Rev. E. P. Crawford, on "Music in relation to public worship." Both gentlemen were listened to with close attention by a large and very reverent congregation. Next morning the Holy Communion was celebrated at 7:30 by Rev. E. P. Crawford, assisted by Rev. A. Spencer, as Deacon, and Rev. G. W. White, as Sub-deacon. During the day the Union assembled for business, in the Parish Hall, under the presidency of the venerable Rector of the parish, Rev. John Stannage.

Rev. E. P. Crawford, Rector of Trinity Church, Brockville, who has acted as Secretary and Treasurer of the Union since its formation, and to whose untiring efforts the members have been largely indebted for much of the pleasure experienced in attending the meetings, resigned office, and on his nomination, Rev. W. J. W. Finlay, of Ogdensburgh, N. Y., was elected Secretary and Treasurer.

The rest of the day was devoted to the consideration of the subjects of two essays appointed to be read.

Rev. Wm. Lewin, of Prescott, had been asked to read an essay on "The Epistle to the Colossians"; but was prevented from writing it by press of other work. In lieu thereof, however, he delivered an address on that subject, and the profound learning it displayed, no less than the eloquence with which he clothed his thoughts, drew forth hearty applause. The discussion which followed, and in which several took part, elicited additional valuable information, the result evidently of patient research. The Rev. J. D. Morrison then read an essay on "The Completeness of the Church," which was loudly applauded. A discussion of the subject ensued, and was joined in by nearly all present.

At 8 p.m., Evensong was again said by Rev. G. J. Low. Messrs. Serson & Finlay reading the Lessons. The addresses at this service were by Rev. Wm. Lewin and Archdeacon Clemson, on "The Systematic Teaching of the Church." Unfortunately a political meeting, held at the same hour by the rival candidates for Legislative honors, drew away large numbers of the sterner sex, so that, with few exceptions, the ladies only benefitted by the sound and practical instruction so ably given by both speakers.

The first meeting of the St. L. C. U. in the old parish church of St. James will probably be the last, as it is to be hoped the beautiful edifice—the exterior of which is already completed—will be opened for divine service before we again meet in Kemptville. But while the new church will be both a noble monument to the pious memory of the late Archdeacon Patton, and a standing witness to the devotion and zeal of the present rector and his senior curate, it will lack the hallowed associations belonging to its humble predecessor. For insignificant in appearance—and ugly, according to our modern ideas of ecclesiastical art—as the old frame building undoubtedly is, as it nestles under the eaves of the new temple, it suggests to our minds memories of its first rector that the new one never can.

The evidences of Church life in this parish are many and afford convincing proof of the good work already done, and being done, by the venerable rector and his earnest-minded and devoted curates, Revs. A. Spencer and W. A. Read. And if the late meeting of the St. L. C. U. is permitted, with God's blessing, to strengthen their hands, one at least of the objects for which the Union was formed has been secured. And it is certain that the other object, viz., the edification of its members, was realized on this, as well as all former occasions of our meeting together. The next meeting will be held (D.V.) in Waddington, N.Y., Diocese of Albany, sometime in August.

TORONTO.

Official Appointments.—The Lord Bishop has been pleased to make the following appointments: