

went on board the *Evangeline* to resume his journeyings westward.

(To be continued.)

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PROVINCE OF RUPERT'S LAND,
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SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSEJAW, MACKENZIE RIVER,
QU'APPELLE AND ATHABASCA.

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

WINNIPEG.—*All Saints.*—The Rev. Hubert H. Barber is doing good work in this parish. The congregations and offertories have increased since his arrival, and there has been a noticeable improvement in the music, which is rendered by a surpliced choir, much augmented in numbers. His congregation are much pleased with him, and it is hoped that the parish will now enter on a career of growth and usefulness.

HOLY TRINITY.—The annual picnic of the Sunday-school was held at Selkirk, and was largely attended.

CHRIST CHURCH.—The choir of this church has been increased since the Rev. Mr. Pentreath's return, and now numbers 40 members, 28 being vested in surplice and cassock.

A celebration of the Holy Communion was recently celebrated as an act of special thanksgiving for the return of the 90th Battalion, and members of the congregation who had been to the front were invited. There were 57 communicants at 8.30 a.m.

A branch of the Girls' Friendly Society, with special rules adapted to the needs of the parish, is about to be formed. A large number of girls of all classes will join. The associates are to be married women.

The annual picnic of the Sunday-school was held at Kildonan.

SWAN LAKE.—*St. Stephen's.*—Sunday, Aug. 23rd, was one of those quiet days, replete with spiritual joy and happiness, that remain indelibly impressed upon the memory. It had long been looked forward to by the incumbent and the little band of faithful parishioners as a day when they should meet together to offer publicly to the Almighty Giver the house of prayer which they have erected to His honor, and in which they may acceptably worship Him. The building is 26 feet from east to west, and 16 feet from north to south, with a small vestry 5 x 6 on the south side. The walls are 8 feet high, and the roof is ceiled to the peak. A platform 6 feet wide, and extending across the church, answers for a chancel, and has been nicely carpeted. The altar cloth and linen and cloths for the prayer-desk and lectern were sent from England by a sister of A. C. Hawkins, Esq., churchwarden, and are greatly admired. A Service book and £5 came from the same source.

At 11 a.m., his Lordship the Bishop of Rupert's Land was met at the altar by the incumbent, the Rev. Alfred G. Pinkham, and the Churchwardens, E. E. Skipwirth and A. C. Hawkins, Esqs., where the incumbent read the petition for consecration.

The wardens, incumbent and Bishop then marched in procession down the aisle, around the church and back again, repeating alternately the 24th Psalm.

The sentence of consecration was read by the incumbent.

An excellent sermon was preached by the Bishop from Psalm xxvii, verse 4. Afterwards

the Holy Communion was administered, 24 remaining.

Full Evening Service was held at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Lord Bishop again preached. Mrs. Pinkham presided at the organ.

The offertories, which were in aid of the building fund, amounted to \$36.

The thanks of the incumbent and vestry are tendered to all those who contributed to the building of St. Stephen's Church.

PERSONAL.—The Ven. Archdeacon Pinkham has returned from his visit to England.

Rev. Canon Coombes and wife are expected immediately.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

MOOSEJAW.—*St. John Baptist Day, 1885.*—

The second anniversary of the opening of the Church of St. John Baptist was observed by the following services:—Celebration, 8 a.m.; Children's Floral Service, 3 p.m.; and Evensong and sermon at 7.30 p.m., when Rev. H. H. Smith, curate in charge of St. Paul's, Regina, as on the like occasion last year, preached an appropriate sermon. The church had been beautifully and appropriately decorated with prairie flowers by the Mother Superior and Sisters who were nursing at the Field Hospital.

QU'APPELLE.—*St. Peter's.*—On Tuesday, the day following the festival of St. Peter, this church was dedicated to the memory of the Apostle Peter, and solemnly consecrated for the service, for all time to come, of the Almighty in the worship of His Church militant.

There were present at the services, besides the Bishop, the Rev. F. W. Pelly, incumbent of St. Peter's, Rev. J. P. Sargent, Rev. D. Lewis, Rev. J. W. Gregory, formerly in charge of this Mission, and under whose care the first steps towards the building of the church were taken and a large portion of the required funds raised, the Rev. H. H. Smith and the Rev. P. K. Lyon.

The Bishop and clergy, having robed in the office of the senior Churchwarden, near the church, went in procession, preceded by the Churchwardens, Mr. Gordon and Mr. Milligan, to the church door, saying antiphonally Psalm 132. Here appropriate prayers and versicles were said by the Bishop, after which the procession advanced up the aisle, saying Psalm 122, the congregation taking part with the clergy in the responses. Arrived at the chancel, Hymn 157, *Veni Creator Spiritus*, was sung, all kneeling, after which the Litany was sung by the incumbent, the Bishop offering the special supplication for a blessing upon this church now to be dedicated in the name of the Holy Apostle St. Peter. After the Litany, Psalm 51 was said, followed by the suffrage, "The Lord be with you, and with thy spirit."

After the signing of the deed of consecration, and the offering of the usual prayers of intercession for God's blessing upon priest and people in the administration of the Sacraments and other rites and ceremonies, the following suffrage was used:—

Stablish the thing, O Lord, that Thou hast wrought in us.
For Thy Temple's sake at Jerusalem.
Gloria Patri.
Prayers.
Psalm 45.
Benediction of the Font.
Psalm 119, vs. 9-16.
Prayers.
The Lord be with you, &c.
Stablish, O Lord, &c.
Benediction.
Hymn 306.
Celebration of Holy Communion.

St. Peter's consists of nave, south porch and vestry. A chancel to complete the design will be added afterwards. The nave is 40 x 24. A tower and spire springs from the south porch.

Built at the western edge of the village, and touching the clumps of trees not yet cleared before advancing civilization, St. Peter's has the quiet, peaceful look of many a village church in older lands.

In the afternoon the site of St. John's College Farm was visited. The excavations for the foundations were in due progress, also the digging of a well. The workmen extended an invitation to the Bishop and clergy to descend the 100 feet or more in the bowels of the earth. The Rev. H. H. Smith distinguished himself by being the only one to accept the invitation. What incantations he used when down below he did not divulge on his return to the upper world, but the mystery remains that a day or two after thirty feet of water appeared in the well!

FORT QU'APPELLE.—The Bishop has been visiting this Mission and its many outposts, so faithfully looked after by Rev. D. Lewis, notwithstanding the many long drives entailed thereby.

DIOCESE OF SASKATCHEWAN.

The following extract from a letter from Rev. Mr. Quinney, at Fort Pitt, addressed to the associate editor, will be found interesting:

It has been long since I last wrote you, and both my dear wife and I have undergone some sad experiences since then. We were made prisoners twice by the Indians during the rebellion, and the last time had to remain as such for seven weeks in their camp, when our food was coarse and irrogular. Sometimes they gave us a chunk of half-cooked beef, without any bread, at others bread without meat. However, as a rule, we were treated well, except we had to foot it while they were riding our fine fat horses and buckboards. They stole everything we possessed in this world, and burned down our church and other buildings; but they killed the poor priests and many others, so we have much to be thankful for, after all. It was not our own Wood Indians who burned the church and buildings, but the Plain Indians, headed by Big Bear; but I am sorry to say many of our Indians felt justified in robbing us, and said they did it to save the Plain Crees the trouble. They little expected us back after the manner in which they treated us, but when we did return they welcomed us, and we hope yet to use our best endeavors to teach them better things. Mrs. McLean was kind enough to invite my wife and child to go and spend a few weeks with her, until I put up a small building for the winter at Fort Pitt; but she said, "If you are going back to Fort Pitt, I am going, too," so here we are, living in a small tent on the bank of the river, until I put up a small house.

The Mounted Police all left yesterday, and the troops are leaving to-day, so we shall be alone among the poor savages again; but we fear them less now, and pity them more than ever we did.

I shall miss my nice library, which they destroyed, more than anything else. My books were worth over £250, not including the enormous freight and duty they cost me.

BE GOOD TO DO GOOD.—What we wish to do for our fellow-creatures we must first do for ourselves. We can give them nothing save what God has given us. We must become good before we can make them good, and wise before we can make them wise.

COMMON DUTIES.—The only way to regenerate the world is to do the duty which lies nearest to us, and not to hunt after grand, far-fetched ones for ourselves. If each drop of rain chose where it should fall, God's showers would not fall as they do now on the evil and the good alike. I know from the experience of my own heart how galling this doctrine is—how like Nanman one goes away in a rage because the prophet has not bid us do some great thing, but only to go wash in the nearest brook and be clean.—*Kingsley's Daily Thoughts.*