

embrace with all our hearts our brethren across the border, and rejoice in the true brotherhood of an united Episcopate.

Here, then, we stand to-day, in the presence of Almighty God, to encourage and strengthen each other, in the hope that our work will not return unto us void, but that it shall prosper in that for which God has sent it. If differences of opinion arise, we believe that they will be overruled for good; the clergy and laity will join hand to hand in promoting the end which is beneficial to both. Come what will, our purpose is never to surrender aught of our trust—never, for the sake of popularity or to gain some temporal advantage, to mutilate or to abandon our Book of Common Prayer, but rather to increase in love for it as age increases, and to yield due obedience to its commands, as founded on the inspired Word of God; more and more conscious of our infirmities and shortcomings, and humbly hoping for forgiveness through the one perfect sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction of Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now that we may look back not fifty but a hundred years, to the time when God mercifully overruled the passions of men to the praise of His Holy Name, surely we may say, "Glorious things are spoken of thee, thou city of God. And of Zion it shall be said, This man was born in her, and the Most High shall stablish her. All my fresh springs are in thee." We lay the stone this day of a Cathedral Church as the centre of our hopes, as the sign and symbol of that precious corner-stone once and forever laid by the Master-BUILDER. But let us not forget that not the material building only, but the Truth which the material building represents and emphasises, is to be built up by us and by our children afterwards.

We build in UNITY which is our strong rock and house of defence. We build in PEACE, for the accomplishment of which we daily pray. We build in REVERENCE, for His Name is holy. We build in LOVE, or our efforts will be vain. We build, or ought to build, in a wise, well-considered adaptation of the design to our means to the needs of the Diocese, to the wishes of the Clergy, to the desires of our members at large. We build in the concord of many hearts, by the liberality of large and abundant gifts, according to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

"Till we all come, O happy, if far distant day, when in the unity of the faith, in the knowledge of what we now see dimly and in part, in the perfection of Christian manhood, in the completion of growth to which the Lord himself submitted, when nothing shall be wanting, nothing left undone, our work shall be finished, and our warfare accomplished in the presence, and everlasting glory of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Now to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, one undivided and glorious Trinity, be power, praise, and glory now, henceforth and forever. AMEN.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

ALBERTON.—On Sunday, September 25th, just three weeks after the Church of the Jubilee, our second new Church, dedicated to the Trinity, was formally opened for divine service at Alma. The Rector was assisted by Rev. T. B. Reagh, of New London, whose earnest and eloquent addresses were listened to with marked effect. The Holy Communion was administered in the morning and several received it for the first time, besides a large number of others. All the services were largely attended, notwithstanding the rain in the morning. The offertories towards the building fund amounted to \$21.00, a very creditable sum. The building is Gothic, with nave, chancel, and tower, and vestry, and seats 150. It is very neat and has a pretty stained East window. For 27 years this district has had occasional services, and at last through the personal work of the parish-

ioners, they have a building which is a credit to them, and we trust will prove a blessing also. It has been finished externally in a very short time, and steps are being taken to complete the interior as rapidly as possible.

The Rector lately had the misfortune to lose his valuable horse through inflammation. About a week afterwards through the promptness and generosity of his parishioners, he was presented not only with a new horse, but also with a sleigh and bells and set of furs for winter. This is a touching token of their good will especially in view of the liberal contributions they have already made within the year to various objects in the parish.

CHARLOTTETOWN.—St. Paul's—Rev. Mr. O'meara, who some time since resigned his charge as Rector, and is now about to leave the Island, preached a farewell sermon, Sept. 25, Sunday evening, in St. Paul's Church, to an attentive congregation. His text was the 24th verse of the 20th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear to myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God." From this text the reverend gentleman preached a powerful and very affecting discourse. In reviewing his ministry, first as Curate and latterly as Rector of St. Paul's Church, he spoke of the unmoving kindness and truly Christian spirit manifested towards him by Dr. Fitzgerald, who always received him as a brother in the Lord. He also expressed his gratefulness to the officers and members of the Church for many tangible evidences they had given of their truly Christian spirit towards him.

The new Rector Rev. Weston-Jones, is expected in a few days.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

CHATHAM.—The annual Choral Union service of the Rural Deanery of Chatham was held in St. Mary's Chapel in this parish, on Wednesday evening, Sept. 28th. Representations from the choirs of the Deanery were present to the number of about fifty; about 22 being men and women, and 28 comprising 13 choristers in surplices from Bathurst, and 15 from Chatham. The choral Evensong was admirably rendered; the Rev. G. J. D. Peters, Rector of St. George's, Bathurst, intoning the service, and Mr. George Burchill playing the organ. The special Psalms and the canticles were set to Gregorian chants with the pointing of Monk's Psalter. Seven clergymen of the Deanery and the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, A.M., of St. John, who delivered an interesting and able sermon, proceeded with the choristers from the Rectory to the Church, singing the Processional Hymn, 393, A. & M. The long, reverent and orderly procession was much admired and the whole service was participated in by a reverent and attentive congregation which entirely filled the Church. Barnby's Anthem, "O how amiable, &c., was excellently sung, as were also Hymns 423, 303, and 30 A. & M. The offertory Hymn was 303, and the retrocessional 30. Canon Brigstocke, in his sermon, dwelt upon the importance of the element of praise in the worship of God, and the facilities afforded by the Church for its being acceptably rendered, especially in her use of the Psalter, upon which as a model of sacred song, the preacher eloquently discoursed. The Rev. Canon also referred to the revival in recent times of the better use of sacred music and other improvements in the worship of the Church, the suitableness and purpose of surpliced choirs, &c., and addressed some words of wise counsel to those whose high privilege it was to sing God's praises in His House. The whole service was most interesting and edifying, and will be long remembered with thankfulness and pleasure. On the morning of Sept. 29th, it being the Festival of St. Michael and

All Angels there was a choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the Rector of Chatham being celebrant: the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, gospeller, and the Rev. D. V. Gwyllim, of Richibucto, epistoler. The Rev. G. J. D. Peters was organist, and the choir-boys of St. George's, Bathurst, and St. Mary's, Chatham, rendered the hymns, &c., from Gilbert's Communion service. After this service the clergy of the Rural Deanery, who had been attending a meeting of the Deanery Chapter for two days preceding the date of the Choir Union service, returned to their various parishes, and much profited and encouraged by their reunion.

ST. STEPHEN.—A "*Locum Tenens*" is required immediately in the parish of St. Stephen.—See advertisement, p. 11.

SHEDIAC.—The semi-annual meeting of the Sunday-school Teacher's Union of the Deanery of Shediac was held at the Madras School-house, Shediac, on Sept. 20th. Members of the Union were present from the parishes of Dorchester, Moncton, Shediac and Point du Chene. Papers were read on "What to teach in Sunday-school," and "How to Teach an Infant Class," and a long discussion followed. The "Bishop Doane Series" of Catechisms was examined and commented upon, with a view to their introduction into the schools of the Deanery. The next meeting of the Union will be held in Moncton in March. The subject of Infant classes will again be taken up, and a paper on catechising read and discussed.

DEANERY MEETING.—A meeting of the Deanery was held in the parish of Shediac on the 20th and 21st ult. There were present the Rural Dean and the Rectors of Sackville, Moncton and Shediac. Evensong was said at St. Martin's-in-the-Woods, on Tuesday, and a sermon on the prime necessity of religious teaching, preached by Rev. C. F. Wiggins. Holy Communion was celebrated on Wednesday at 8 o'clock. The Chapter met at the Rectory at 9:30. Matters relating to the Deanery Book Depository, lately established at Moncton; the S. S. Teacher's Union; the Choral Union, &c., were discussed. It was decided to hold the annual Festival of the Choral Union at St. Andrew's Church, Shediac, on Nov. 15th.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

PORTNEUF.—On the 29th of September, the festival of St. Michael and All Angels, a Harvest home service was held in the village church at 7 p.m. The church was very prettily decorated with grain, vegetables, fruit and flowers, betokening an abundant harvest; and the hearty manner in which all present joined in the service betokened hearts filled with thankfulness to Him from whom all blessings come.

BROMPTON.—The Missionary has been cheered by a flying visit from the Rev. W. Washer, of Barford and Hereford, accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Washer. Their interest in the Mission evidently continues. Mrs. Washer, as executrix of the will of the late Mrs. Mack her sister, has lately paid to the Treasurer \$1,000 bequeathed to the Brompton Endowment Fund. This Fund has also just received \$100 from Robt. Hamilton, Esq., Quebec, and \$50 has been applied, raised in the Mission. To the latter every Protestant family in the place contributed except one. It is hoped the Fund will become available next year.

COOKSHIRE.—Thanksgiving service was held here, the Church was tastefully decorated with flowers, autumn leaves, fruit and grain, by the members of the congregation. An earnest and eloquent sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Colston, of East Angus, on the duty of gratitude to God, for the blessing of an abundant harvest, and enforcing the solemn lesson to be learned