

very busy season) was closed, that the artizans might pay a mark of respect to a young man who had endeared himself to the community by his exemplary and amiable conduct. The funeral services were performed by the Rev. W. F. Checkley, of Toronto. The hymn "Sleep thy last sleep" was sung with deep feeling by the choir—music by Joseph Barnby—Mr. Edwards, the organist, having taken special pains in the arrangements he made for the purpose. After an appropriate sermon, which was listened to with attention by a large and sympathizing congregation, his remains were consigned to their last resting-place in the burial grounds connected with Christ's Church, Woodbridge.

In addition to the assurance which his bereaved family and friends possess that he is "at rest from his labors," let them soothe their worldly sorrow with the comforting reflection that "honorable age is not that which standeth in length of time, nor that which is measured by length of years; but wisdom is the gray hair unto men, and unspotted life as old age."

A PRAYER FOR THE PRESENT TIME OF WAR.

THE Metropolitan, the Lord Bishop of Montreal, has set forth the following Prayer for use in his diocese during the continuance of the present war in the East. It is hoped that it will be generally adopted:

"O Almighty God, Who art abundant in love as well as infinite in power, and Who stillest the raging of the sea and the noise of its waves, and the madness of the people, look with mercy upon the nations now gathering together for battle. Restrain their excited passions and assuage their fury: grant that the war which has now broken out may speedily be quelled.

"O Lord, be specially with us, Thy servants, and with our beloved country. Be pleased to uphold the authority of our Sovereign. Give grace to our Rulers, and grant unto our Senators wisdom. And so order everything according to Thine own Will, that peace and happiness, religion and piety may be established among us for all generations. Hear us in this our time of need, and bless us, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen."

To CORRESPONDENTS.—Want of space compels us to defer till next week an interesting account of the opening of the Brockville church.

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(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

"THE BEGINNING OF THE END."—Mr. Todd, the "Reformed Episcopal" preacher at Sussex, has left for good. The annals of his stay there are short and simple. His adherents failed to pay him the promised salary; and he did not succeed as a country doctor. Thus they depart, one by one—to the States. When a few more are starved out, and the delusion of a few passes off, we shall see the end.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE.—The anniversary of the three Sunday schools in St. Mark's parish, St. John, was held in St. John's Church, on Trinity Sunday evening. The children with their teach-

ers occupied the galleries and sang special hymns under the leadership of the choir. The Rector, the Rev. G. M. Armstrong, preached from II Cor. vi., 2. The attendance was good and the service very interesting.

THE CATHEDRAL.—On Trinity Sunday morning the usual ordination was held in the Cathedral, and the Rev. Messrs. Neales, of Richmond; Barbour, of Newcastle; and Hansen, of New Denmark; were advanced to the priesthood. The Bishop was assisted in the "laying on of hands" by Rev. G. Schofield, Rector of Simonds, and Rev. F. Alexander, of the Cathedral. The Gospel was read by Mr. Hansen, who read it first in English and then in Danish, the tongue in which he ministers to his people. The Bishop preached a most interesting and impressive sermon from II. Cor. ii. 16. His Lordship stated that he had preached from the same text thirty-three years before at his first ordination in the diocese. But few remained of those whom he addressed then. He saw only four or five in the congregation before him, in the choir there were none, and of his clergy at that time thirty-three had passed away. During this long period of his episcopate it had been said of works he proposed: "Who is sufficient for these things?" He had been asked this, even by his most sanguine clergy, when the present cathedral was proposed; yet God had provided a way for its accomplishment; and the result would be the same now in frequent and hearty services and increased devotion and offerings. His Lordship went on to point out the difficulties of a ministerial life, and the source from which aid and strength must be sought. The cathedral was abundantly and beautifully decorated with flowers for the occasion. Amongst these floral offerings was a lovely cross above the Font, made of blue violets and oak ferns, and presented by the children of the Sunday school. The choir sang Mendelssohn's anthem, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings." The offertory which amounted to \$56.00, was for the Board of Home Missions. Two very gratifying facts must have been evident to those who took part in this beautiful and stirring service—the zeal of our beloved Bishop for the honour and beauty of God's house, and the growth of the Church in this Diocese. Almost every year has witnessed some addition to the proper ornamentation of the Cathedral. The last work undertaken was the erection of a magnificent *Reredos*. This year the long desired decoration of the chancel walls has been undertaken, and, so far as can be seen from the nave, completed. Both the designs and execution are by Mr. John Lee, a local artist of great merit. The following very accurate description is copied from the *Daily Telegraph*:

"The ground color of the chancel walls is very light stone. The most prominent ornament in the upper part of the walls is a beautiful cross composed of two circles in green, blue and gold, the arms running beyond the circles, one ornamented by foliage in gold, white and crimson. On either side of the cross are two ornaments consisting of the triangle interlaced with a trefoil in different colors of chocolate, green, blue, and crimson, and edged with gold. These ornaments are encircled in small diapering and *fleurs de lis*. On a line with; and just below these, are crowns in blue, crimson and gold, surmounted by a star of gold, chocolate and green. From the bottom of the cross running either way, is a crimson ribbon ornamented in gold and color, white and green, running in a circular form to the bottom of the crowns, and from thence to the ends of the walls. Immediately below the ribbon, in a straight line across the wall, is the text "Honor and Majesty are before Him," in large letters of crimson, with gold illuminated capitals. Below the cross, between the ribbon and the text in the space formed by the circling of the ribbon, is the monogram "I. H. S." interlaced in gold; the other spaces below the crowns, formed in the same way, are filled with foliage in blue. The whole wall, from the ribbon to the rafters, is filled with diapering in blue, crimson, &c. The space between the four principal rafters is arched by a band of alternate crimson and blue, ornamented with gold and white, and the spandrels are filled by ornaments of foliage in gold, white and chocolate. The shields in the corbels are white and crimson, with devices on

each in gold; these are very effective and add very much to the beauty of the whole wall. Below the text, the diapering is divided into three ornamental panels, in the centre of which are emblems, the Lamb and the Pelican, in gold on crimson and blue grounds, edged by a circle of gold. This is also surrounded by pointed *quatrefoil* of green and gold; above and below this ornament are scrolls of chocolate color, gold edged, and on them the texts in white letters: "The Word was made flesh," "God and man, one Christ," "I am the bread of life," "I am the true vine." The remainder of the panel is ornamented by foliage in gold and other colors. At the edges of these, on either side, is a very prominent border in gold and crimson. At each end of the walls the half panels are beautifully ornamented. The diapering is a very neat design in crimson and blue. This is a somewhat general description of the south wall.

The north wall is similar in design, the colors being changed in most of the ornaments. The emblems are also changed. In the centre of the cross is a dove in white. The text on this side is, "Strength and beauty are in His Sanctuary; and the emblems in the centre of the panels, dividing the diapering on the lower part of the wall, are the crown of thorns and nails in gold, surrounded by rays also in gold. The texts on the scrolls above and below these are: "Surely I come quickly, Amen," "Even so come Lord Jesus," "Peace I leave with you," "My peace I give unto you."

The west end of the chancel, over the arch, is to be ornamented by a continuation of the ribbon from each side wall until it meets at the top of the arch, and from thence will string a cross composed entirely of foliage, above and on each side of which will be the text "Holy, holy, &c.," on scrolls in crimson, blue and chocolate colors. Each side of the east window is also ornamented very effectively at top and bottom with the monogram "I. H. S.," and Alpha and Omega in the centre in gold.

His Lordship has given a personal supervision of the whole work, ably assisted by Mrs. Medley, and they must indeed be proud of this beautiful sanctuary, erected and dedicated to their Heavenly master.

The sound of the Gospel read in a strange tongue brought to remembrance the interesting story of New Denmark. This is the name of a settlement made by emigrants from Denmark some five years ago in the Northern part of the Province. Aided and encouraged by our government a little community of these people bought a new home in our midst. They were Lutherans, and brought with them a Catechist. But separated from their co-religionists, they soon had a deep sense of isolation, and through the instrumentality of the Rev. L. Hoyt, in whose extensive charge they are settled, applied for admission into the Church of England. The Bishop consented to receive them. The Catechist, Mr. Hansen, at once began preparation for Deacon's orders, which he received in the Cathedral on the 11th June, 1876. The Bishop and Mrs. Medley returned with him to the new Colony to receive the people, and confirmed a considerable number. Their joy at the ordination of their Pastor and the visit of the Bishop was unbounded. They wore still their striking native costumes, and retained all their home costumes. At the confirmation they requested the Bishops, when asking the solemn personal question to the candidates to call each one by name. The first name called was Canute; and a sturdy peasant boy came forward with his wooden shoes, and knelt before the Bishop. Mr. Hansen is now priested, and will take full charge of the Colony. Service with a German in Danish is held regularly in a private house fitted for the purpose. Mr. Hansen and his daughter Rosa, also, undertake the day school. The settlement is very prosperous, and it is hoped that a Church will be erected this summer.

If any who read this brief and meagre account, are seeking for an opportunity to bestow Christian aid, may I ask them to remember our brethren in New Denmark?

—Failure after long perseverance is much grander than never to have a striving good enough to be called a failure.—George Eliot.