

have been a number of "Red Letter Days" in this Mission, the circumstances connected with which, I shall endeavour to describe very briefly. First, the debt on the Church Edifice, which some months ago was successfully and completely renovated, has been all defrayed except a small balance of fifteen dollars. And here I may say that our People never before contributed so willingly and so liberally to the needs of their Church. And all who contributed are delighted with the improvements. Such generosity is a most healthful sign and has tended to give an impetus to Church work. The Orangemen, who are numerous in this Mission, held a Parade to Church last month, and the Church proved too small to accommodate all who wished to attend the Service.

The Lord Bishop, whom we were pleased to have with us, held a Confirmation on September 14th, when twelve persons were presented for the Holy Rite. A large and attentive Congregation listened with willing hearts to the Bishop's earnest Addresses to the Candidates and to themselves. The Bishop's kind words in reference to the Renovation of the Church were much appreciated by all present. His Lordship said that it was pleasing to note what had been done, that, instead of a poor old building, they had now a very comfortable Church, presenting an inviting appearance, such as a Church ought to have, and that it was most gratifying to learn, that only a very small sum was required to clear off all the expenses. On the following Sunday all the newly confirmed were present to make their first Communion, and the number of Communicants at this Service was the largest on record.

On Sunday last the Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held at Ascot. The Church showed that loving hands had spared no pains to beautify the House of Prayer, and, in spite of the down-pour of rain, the attendance was large. It is most encouraging to know that the finances of this Congregation are now handled most satisfactorily so that the Assessments due to the Diocesan Board are now always promptly forwarded.

The Harvest Festival was held at Angus on Monday, September 17th. Thanks to the Ladies appointed for the work, the Church was most beautifully decorated, and if we are to judge

by the numbers present, the whole Service, which was most heartily rendered, was much appreciated. The Harvest Service is incomplete without the Harvest Home, and, therefore, at the Town Hall, where all gathered after the Service, a committee of Ladies had prepared tables filled with choice and inviting dainties, and Mr. Reef, formerly of this place, entertained us by giving some delightful selections from his Graphophone. The singing of 'God Save the Queen' brought the happy festivities to a close.

And now, with the permission of the Bishop, I am taking a rather longer holiday than usual, in order to pay a visit to my mother and friends whom I have not seen for many years, leaving the Parish under the kind supervision of our good Rural Dean, the Rev. A. H. Robertson, Rector of Cookshire, and Mr. Arthur Wurtele, of Bishop's College, who will take the Services during my absence. While I am separated from my Mission work I leave all in the Hands of Him, who careth for all His Children.

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