

ounted to \$5,300. This fund was handed over in trust to the Bishop of Quebec and his successors on condition that the Chapel should remain free for ever and the appointment of the incumbent should be vested in the Bishop. A sum of money sufficient to relieve the congregation of the duty of maintaining the Church was offered as an endowment from another quarter. But as this was coupled with the condition that the appointment of the Rector from time to time should be in the hands of certain persons in whom the promoters of the proposed endowment had confidence, it was respectfully declined by the congregation at a meeting conducted entirely by themselves, no Clergymen being present.

In January, 1867, Mr. Roe removed to Richmond, P. Q., and was succeeded at St. Matthew's by Reverend Charles Hamilton, M.A., Oxon., the present Bishop of Niagara, under whose rectorship the parish and its work steadily progressed. A chancel and transepts were added to the building in 1870, at a cost of \$11,000. At the reopening of the Church for Divine Service on December 18th, 1870, a surplised choir was introduced. In 1875 the old portion of the Church was pulled down, and the nave, south aisle, Clergy and Choir vestries erected, which, with a new organ by Warren, of Montreal, cost \$26,500. This made the Church into the form and shape which it now possesses. It was reopened with a special Service of Dedication on December 15th, 1875. In 1877 the chancel and transepts were improved and decorated, the cost being defrayed by a thank-offering of a member of the congregation. Since 1883 the Church has been open daily to worshippers, for meditation and prayer, from 7.30 a.m. till after Evensong. In 1882 the tower and spire were built, thus completing the Church according to the original designs—this addition costing \$7,350. Mr. Hamilton's successful incumbency extended over a period of more than seventeen years, at the close of which he was called to the highest Office in the Church, and was consecrated to be second Bishop of Niagara, May 1st, 1885, in the Cathedral at Fredericton, N.B. His departure from Quebec was, indeed, a severe loss, not only to St. Matthew's, but to the whole City, as he was so well known and much beloved by all

creeds and classes. He was succeeded by the Reverend F. J. B. Allnatt, D.D., in whom the rare combination of profound learning, deep humility, and sincere piety and sympathy soon won the hearts of all. He held the post only two years, being in 1887 appointed to the Professorship of Pastoral Theology in Bishop's College, Lennoxville. His successor was the Reverend Lennox W. Williams, M.A., Oxon., the present rector (a son of the late Bishop Williams), who had acted as curate under the two preceding Rectors. In 1888 a peal of bells from J. Warner & Son's foundry, London, England, was placed in the tower, at a cost of \$2,800. The peal was dedicated to God's service on November 14th, 1888. The final debt of \$3,000 on the Church was paid off in 1892, and the church consecrated by the present Bishop of Quebec, on All Saints' Day, 1892. The Church contains sixteen handsome memorial windows, among them a large one to the Right Rev. Dr. Mountain, the founder of the parish. The last to be erected is one to the memory of the late Mr. Cornelius Judge. The pulpit is the gift of Robert Hamilton, D.C.L., in loving memory of his son, the Rev. George Hamilton, M.A., Oxon., for some years curate of the Church. The retables is also a gift in memory of the late Senator Price. Both are handsome works of art. A costly and very rich set of Altar Vessels was presented to the Church in November, 1894, by Mrs. Irvine, in memory of the late Commissary-General Matthew Bell Irvine, C.B., C.M.G., for many years a devoted member of the congregation. Finally, the congregation have had erected a very handsome and richly carved Font and Baptistry, costing some \$1,500, as a memorial to the late revered Bishop Williams. It is probably the finest work of art in the country. The Baptistry has lately been enriched by the addition of a handsome canopy over the Font in memory of Mrs. Williams and a window in memory of the late Mrs. Buchanan. The whole revenue in 1887 was \$525.37, while that from Easter 1896 to 1897, was \$6,616.43. The parish has also been always in the front rank in assisting Missions both at home and abroad, and contributed some \$8,000 alone towards the Bishop Williams Memorial Mis-