

entered the edifice by the main entrance. We then noticed with the Bishop the Ven. Archdeacon Evans, M. A., of St. Stephen's, Montreal; Revds. Canon DuVernet, M. A., of Chambly; J. McIlroy, M. A., of Rouses Point, N. Y.; A. A. Allen, M. A., of Clarenceville; A. Bareham, of Franklin. On entering the church the procession was met by the Rector, the Rev. R. Acton, and Churchwardens. The petition to consecrate was then read by Mr. Heman Derick, the senior Warden, and the Bishop assenting, the procession passed onwards up the centre aisle repeating the 24th Psalm antiphonally; then, opening outwards to give precedence to the Bishop, passed into their respective places within the communion rail. Then, after appropriate prayers being offered up, the Certificate of Consecration was duly signed, and that portion of the ceremony completed. The short addresses which followed, ending by a sermon from the Bishop, will not soon be forgotten. Old and dear memories of scenes and faces now gone, but associated with the venerable building just displaced by the inevitable hands of time, decay and progress, were touchingly dwelt upon; while at the same time hearts were quickened and hopes brightened as they were reminded of the time when they should no more need to worship God in temples made with hands, for then God's visible glory and fulness should be all and in all. In the evening a second service was held, when the Rector was inducted, the keys of the Church and Rectory being presented by Messrs. Braithwait and Bowman. This was succeeded by the confirmation of 8 candidates for admission into the visible Church, followed by a very powerful and practical address from the Bishop. The anthems, hymns and chants rendered by the organist, Miss Vauvliet, and an able choir, and hallowed as they were by the lapse of ages and Apostolic usage, were truly inspiring, and thus the religious services were brought to a close. After the morning service a sumptuous dinner, provided by the ladies of the congregation, was partaken of by about 300 persons. A bazaar was also opened in connection therewith, which proved very attractive and remunerative. The net amount realized being \$320. This sum was fully sufficient to meet all existing claims against the new church, and thus the active exertions of the Rector and congregation on behalf of the church for the last two years were crowned with success, not a dollar of indebtedness remaining. The total cost of the building (\$6,000) being fully provided for.

As the visitors inspected the building the expressions of astonishment and delight were universal. Perhaps a short description in closing my already too long report may not be out of place. The plans were designed by the well known skillful architect, Mr. John James, of Montreal. In making this choice the results prove it to have been a most happy one. Many visitors who were in a position to judge declared it to be one of the most complete and imposing structures of the kind in the Diocese—bold in design, simple in detail, ecclesiastical in appearance. The foundation walls are of stone, with dressed base course, and cut corners up to the roof. The walls are of brick; roof in shingles, rounded and painted in two colors; fuel cellar and furnace room. The tower forms the angle on the north-east corner in which is placed the main entrance, with helfry and vestibule. The Church will seat 250 persons, and measures 75x38, with chancel, transept, choristers' room, etc. Three aisles divide the pews—one in nave, and two side aisles. The roof is very effectively treated. Pillars supporting moulded arched ribs, terminating on small columns with moulded corbels, all stained, shellacked and varnished. There are three openings in front with centre rose window above them. Lancet windows in vestibule, vestry, etc. On each side there are six openings in pairs. The glass used is the new rolled Cathedral stained and leaded. The windows in chancel are richly ornamented and varied in design. In them a triplet memorial window has been placed by the members of the Hodgson family in memory of their late respected father.

MONTREAL.—The new assistant minister of the Cathedral is the Rev. Mr. Newham, up to the present Incumbent of the Mission at Quio, Upper

Ottawa. Mr. N. is building a fine church at Quio which he expected to see consecrated next summer. We hope he may have a successor who will see that it is finished and arranged in such order as will teach all people frequenting it that the object of Christian gatherings in the House of God is worship, and not merely preaching.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—The day appointed by the civil authorities was observed by a service in the Cathedral and one or two other places. It was by no means general. This arose simply because as a church we had anticipated the action of the government.

THE Incumbent of Abbotsford, the Rev. F. Robinson, will by this time (D.V.) have returned from his visit to Europe.

#### DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

[From our own correspondents.]

PETERBORO'.—St. John's.—All Saints' Day was the time appointed for opening this restored church, and the day was all that could be desired. The first services in connection with the auspicious occasion took place on the evening before, when the Rev. O. P. Ford preached as a preparation for Holy Communion. At 8 o'clock there was a celebration of Holy Communion, the attendance being very good. At 11 the usual Matins took place, followed by a second celebration, the Bishop of Toronto preaching a suitable sermon from Haggai i. 10., and afterwards acting as celebrant. The clergy present, numbering nearly twenty, met in the school room, and preceded by the surpliced choir, marched in procession to the church, on entering which there pealed forth a grand processional hymn. The attendance was good for a week-day, almost every seat being occupied. But at the evening service the building was uncomfortably crowded. Evensong was said by the Rev. H. C. Avant, and the sermon preached by the Rev. J. W. Burke, of Belleville, was exceedingly eloquent and appropriate. Among those present, in addition to those already mentioned, were the Ven. Archdeacon Wilson, Grafton; Rev. Mr. Greenwood, England; Rev. Dr. McNabb, Bowmanville; Rev. John Carry, B. D., Port Perry; Rev. C. H. Marsh, Keene; Rev. W. C. Bradshaw, St. Luke's; Rev. J. Farncomb, Lakefield; Rev. Dr. Smithett, Omemee; Rev. V. Clements, Peterboro'; Rev. J. W. McCleary, Norwood; Rev. P. Harding, Apsley; Rev. W. Jupp, Midland; Rev. J. W. Forster, Millbrook; Rev. J. E. Cooper, Cambray; and Rev. F. W. Squire, Gore's Landing.

The restored church looks exceedingly well, and is complete in all its appointments. The stone work has all been repaired and pointed. The chancel is an entirely new structure; the buttresses are also built *de novo*. The arched roof, consisting of panels of oiled pine divided by moulded ribbings, is also new. The side walls are finished in pointed or blocked stone-work, ending below in a narrow dado. The seats are of oiled pine with elaborately carved and ornamented oak ends, finished with columns of turned oak. The chancel walls are finished in stone and a skirting of oiled ash surrounds the base. Over the wainscoting of the altar wall is a background of ultra-marine blue, divided into square tiling by bands of dead black, overlaid by broad lines of gold. The chancel is divided from the church proper by a low cut stone balustrade that in future is to be surmounted with a rood-screen of bronze. The new stained glass windows are a very great improvement. The central one in the chancel bears a figure of St. John the Evangelist, while the side windows show representations of the font and chalice. There are also four memorial windows—one placed by the ladies of the congregation in memory of Lieut. Arthur Romeyn Beck (the Rector's son), lost in the "Atalanta" February, 1880. The organ, which was built by Warren, is a magnificent instrument. Its weight is about five tons, and its cost was \$2750. There are twenty-one stops and over 1000 pipes. It is a 2 manual and pedal organ—manual compass CC to A3, pedal compass CCC to D. The pipes are richly illuminated in blue and gold and the woodwork is of white oak handsomely carved. It

is proposed to have it worked by a hydraulic motor as soon as the waterworks now in process of erection are completed. The Rector and the congregation are certainly to be congratulated on the re-opening of their church, so completely renovated as to have all the advantages of a new building and yet the old fabric endeared by tender associations to many of its worshippers.

RECENTLY Thanksgiving Services for the abundant harvest were held in Barrie and North Essa. In the former parish an admirable sermon was preached by Rural Dean Stewart, Rector of Orillia, and in the latter by Rev. J. Fletcher, Incumbent of Cookstown. The offerings were devoted to the Mission Fund.

#### DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

[From our own correspondents.]

CHANGES.—The translation of Rev. G. Cooke from this Diocese to Algoma will cause a number of changes, chiefly among the Missionaries. It is probable that the Rev. K. G. Caswall, now at Welland, will go to Georgetown, and other removals will take place, of which your columns shall receive due notice.

DUNDAS.—The Rector, Rev. F. L. Osler, has returned from England. He does not resume duty.

BARTONVILLE.—The first anniversary of the opening and consecration of St. Mary's Church was a gala day in this village on the 9th inst. Holy Communion was celebrated in the morning by Rev. Thos. Geoghegan, of W. Flamboro', and a sermon preached by Rev. W. R. Clark, of Ancaster. In the afternoon a parish gathering, with tea etc., was held in the house of one of the parishioners. Evensong was said, at which a large congregation was present, when a missionary address was delivered by Rev. O. J. Booth, of St. Catherine's. The offertory was in aid of the Missions of Algoma and the North-West.

THANKSGIVING DAY was very generally observed by special services in the churches of this Diocese. From what information we have we should say that the attendance was generally good. It is an encouraging feature in the revival of the Christian practice of Faith among us to observe that in very many churches there was a celebration of the Holy Communion upon Thanksgiving Day.

#### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

CHARLOTTETOWN.—Rev. Alfred Osborne: *Dear Sir*,—I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of a Resolution passed at a special meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's Church held last evening. I am sir, your obedient servant,

ARTHUR NEWBERRY, *Vestry Clerk*.

Abstract from Minutes of a special meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's Church held on Monday evening, Nov. 13th, 1882, to take into consideration the resignation of the Rev. Alfred Osborne as Assistant Minister, and other matters in relation thereto:—

"It was moved by the Hon. Judge Hensley, seconded by F. W. Hales, Esq., and passed unanimously:

"Resolved, That Mr. Osborne's resignation be accepted. That this meeting desire in doing so to express regret at parting with one whom they regard with much affection as their Curate and Minister during seven years past. They desire also to express a wish for his success and happiness in the new sphere of labour upon which he is about to enter."

A true copy.

ARTHUR NEWBERRY, *Vestry Clerk*.

#### DIOCESE OF HURON.

[From our own Correspondent.]

THE Bishop of the Diocese has sailed for England, where he expects to spend the winter. Rev. Canon Innes, M.A., Rector of St. Paul's, London, will act as Commissary during his absence.

REV. H. D. STEELE has been appointed to the Mission of Blenheim, and Rev. Mr. Hamilton to that of Monckton.