

**CORN ST. PAUL.**—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese attended at the Church of the Redeemer here on the evening of St. Mark's day, the 25th April, and administered Confirmation to seven candidates: six being from the Mission, and one from Montreal, who through illness had been prevented from attending at St. George's Church. The Rector, the Rev. Canon Ellegood, the Rev. Canon Muloch and Dr. Davidson, Q.C., were also present. The form of service used, specially approved by the Diocesan, was as follows:

1. Hymn 348, 'Behold us Lord, before Thee met.'
2. Preface, (read by Rev. Canon Muloch).
3. Presentation of Candidates, (by the Rector).
4. Bishop's address.
5. Private Prayer.
6. Hymn 270, 'Soldiers of Christ arise.'
7. The Promise or Vow; Versicles, Prayer, Almighty and Everlasting God.
8. Hymn 211, 'O Holy Ghost thy people bless.'
9. 'The Laying on of Hands; Suffrages, Lord's Prayer and 1st Collect.
10. Hymn 271, 'O Jesus I have promised.'
11. 2nd Collect and Benediction.
12. Presentation of Cards by the Bishop.
13. Nunc Dimittis.

The candidates were severally presented to His Lordship seated in his Episcopal chair. The service was extremely reverential, beautiful and deeply impressive. The altar was vested in white, with beautiful floral cross and cut flowers on the super-altar. The female candidates (all of whom wore becoming veils) were Misses Maud Brewster (Montreal), L. Drabble Lily Trotter, and Lonisa Truax, and Robert R. Carver, Arthur Gilmore and James Fraas. May each continue Christ's faithful soldier, and daily increase in grace.

The work of this Mission has been greatly aided by the princely gift of a beautiful and new piano by Messrs. Willis & Co., of Montreal, to whom the heartiest thanks of the congregation have been tendered. Such noble hearted generosity marks the true Churchman, and wholly unexpected by the recipients, and bestowed in token of good work done, accompanied by a very kindly letter to Dr. Davidson, the Lay Reader, is specially gratifying.

The following are the Bishop's Visitations for April:

April 30th, Wednesday, Waterloo.  
 May 1st, Thursday, Knowlton.  
 May 2nd, Friday, Bromo.  
 May 4th, Sunday, Sutton and Abercorn.  
 May 5th, Monday, Glen Sutton.  
 May 6th, Tuesday, Mansonville.  
 May 7th, Wednesday, West Bromo and Iron Hill.  
 May 8th, Thursday, Adamsville and East Farnham.  
 May 9th, Friday, Sweetsburg and Cowansville.  
 May 11th, Sunday, Frelighsburg.  
 May 12th, Monday, Danham.  
 May 13th, Tuesday, Stanbridge.  
 May 14th, Wednesday, Philipsburg and Pigeon Hill.  
 May 15th, Thursday, Bedford.  
 May 16th, Friday, Clarenceville and Noyan.  
 May 18th, Sunday, Farnham.  
 May 19th, Monday, Rougemont.  
 May 20th, Tuesday, Abbotsford and Milton.  
 May 21st, Wednesday, South Roxton, North Shefford and Warden.  
 May 22nd, Thursday, Boscobel.  
 May 23rd, Friday, North Ely.  
 May 25th, Sunday, South Stukely and Eastman.  
 May 26th, Monday, Bolton Centre, South and East.

Letters needing immediate attention may be addressed to Waterloo until 29th April; Mansonville until 5th May; Cowansville until 8th May; Clarenceville until 15th May; South Stukely until 23rd May.

#### DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

**KEMPTVILLE.**—Notwithstanding dull times and the departure of a great many families

and individuals to other districts, the work of this parish goes on with undiminished vigor. Some new families come but without the means equal to those who depart. The congregations, and Sunday school and catechizing classes are larger than at any previous period of the history of the Church in Kemptville. The attendance on the special Lent services and catechizing was more than double that of times past. A solemn service on Good Friday afternoon, consisting of short addresses on the "Last Seven Words," with appropriate hymns between each address, lasting about an hour and a half, was very impressive. During Holy Week there were 16 services, 9 catechizings, and 2 confirmation classes, 1 meeting of the M. C. L., as well as several practices for Easter services. Easter dawning bright and glorious found the Church becomingly decorated. There were four services, two celebrations. The Children's Service, in the afternoons, was very hearty. They had been well trained by Miss Tomkins who spared no pains in her work of love. There were about 130 children present, and a large number of their parents and friends. The children's special offertory amounted to \$28.08. The special offertory of the people at morning and evening services amounted to \$39.75, whilst the regular offertory amounted to \$38.45; the entire sum for this day being \$106.28. During the octave there were 118 communicants. There were more than 500 persons present at the services during this day, which number seems to be on the increase since the glorious feast.

During the year the amounts of money raised in this parish were by offertory \$648.16, by Sunday school \$136.51, by the Ladies' Aid \$628.40, by special offerings \$98.24, by collections for extra parochial work such as the Diocesan funds, and general mission work \$172.69.

At the Easter Vestry the same wardens were reelected, viz., Mr. R. Leslie, and Mr. Thomas Blackburn; and the same sidesmen were also reelected. Mr. J. M. Harding was elected delegate to the Synod. The Rector, Mr. Emery, and Churchwardens reelected Miss Blackburn as organist. A Guild to keep the churchyard in order and to beautify it was duly organized. Amongst several other resolutions, one was past acknowledging the strenuous, and successful efforts of the Rector in considerably reducing the debt on the parish church, and calling upon all to help him in clearing it off altogether as early as possible.

**KINGSTON.**—No end of amusement has been caused here by the publication of a letter which appears in last week's *Evangelical Churchman*, whose correspondent informs it that he witnessed at All Saints' Church, Kingston a most extraordinary piece of ritual in which the surplised choir went to the ridiculous extreme of having palms in their hands and crowns on their heads during the entire service, and asking "where is this kind of thing to stop?" It is needless to say the naughty wag referred to no crowns or palms except those with which nature endowed the congregation as well as choir!

The Rev. T. Godden who has been ill for the last seven weeks, though a little better, is not yet able to leave Toronto, where he has been under the doctor's care since Easter. His parish for the last two Sunday's has been supplied by clergy from Belleville.

#### DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

**PETERBORO.**—The Young Men's Guild of St. Luke's Church held a very successful and highly enjoyable entertainment Thursday night last, at which there was a good attendance. The programme rendered was an excellent one, while the farces or charades which were presented were remarkably well acted and amused

the audience immensely. Each of the numbers on the programme was excellently given. The following took part:—Misses Calcutt, Burnham, Tivey, Kate Calcutt, and Messrs. Tierney and Chas. Brown.

**St. John's.**—There was a fair attendance at the adjourned meeting of the vestry of St. John's Church, which was held in the school house Monday night last, at which Rev. J. C. Davidson, Rector, presided.

The Warden's financial statement, with the Auditor's certificate, was presented and adopted. The report showed a marked increase in the receipts over former years, the total receipts being \$4,337.15, as against \$3,059.70 for last year.

A grant of \$50 to the Sunday school for the purpose of improving the library was recommended by the finance committee and was ordered by the vestry to be paid.

The names of Messrs. W. E. Sherwood, G. W. Hatton, John E. Belcher and Alex. Elliott were added to the finance committee, and the committee was given power to add to its number at any time.

#### DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

Continuation of opening services at the new Church of St. Alban the Martyr, Beamsville.—

At 3 p. m., the church being uncomfortably crowded to the doors, the clergy again entered the chancel, the choir and congregation singing "The Church's one foundation." Immediately after the close, the litany was said by the Rev. F. C. Piper, and after that holy Baptism was administered by His Lordship the Bishop, to the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hearle, jr., and at the same time the infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Dee which had been baptized privately, was received into membership. The Very Rev. the Dean of Niagara, Rev. J. G. Geddes, then preached a sermon from the text "O how amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God." In the course of the sermon the Dean alluded to the happy completion of the missing link in the chain of Anglican churches from Hamilton to the Falls, and addressed many words of encouragement to both the mission priest and his congregation.

At 7 o'clock p.m. the church was again crowded to the doors. The opening hymn was as in the afternoon and Evensong was said by Rev. F. C. Piper. The Bishop again addressed the congregation from the words, 'O come, let us sing unto the Lord, let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.' In the course of his address he explained the peculiar features of Anglican church edifices with their meaning and significance. The font for Baptism illustrated the fact that holy Baptism was the only door into the Christian Church. The Holy Table or Altar, the most conspicuous object in the church, standing at the end opposite the door, was next dwelt upon with its two fold significance of Altar and Table—an Altar when considered as the place for the shewing forth before God of the one atoning sacrifice: a Table if considered the place before which the devout communicant receives the broken Body and the outpoured Blood of His Lord. His Lordship also referred to the positions of the Lectern with Bible and Prayer Book, the choir benches, the Altar rail, etc. At the close of the service the Apostolic benediction was again given by his lordship from the altar, and Old Hundred was sung with vigor by the entire congregation, followed by the "March of the silver trumpets" on the organ, thus bringing to a close a most successful series of services.

The church is a plain red brick building 30 feet by 60, with a light, airy basement of stone. It is built in pointed Gothic style, with pointed doors and windows. The windows are elegantly frosted, and the larger are