

## Home & Foreign Church News.

From our own Correspondents.

### DOMINION.

#### MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—The Synod of Montreal was opened on the 18th June by divine service. Business commenced by the election of Rev. Canon Epton and Mr. Richard White, clerical and lay secretaries respectively, and Mr. Hutton, treasurer, and Messrs. A. W. Hatt and G. W. Simpson, auditors.

Bishop Bond then arose amid cheers to deliver his annual charge. He said that he had visited during the year 95 parishes, missions and mission stations, while he had paid official visits to 74 churches and administered the communion to 828 persons. He had ordained eight deacons and six priests and opened six churches and one burying ground; and his lordship mentioned that he had just received intimation of a donation of \$1,000 by Mr. Jones towards the new church at Cote St. Louis. He then went on to review the report of the Lambeth conference, dwelling especially upon the importance of the utterance which came from that body on temperance, the observance of the Sabbath, purity and other subjects. Temperance and purity were represented to be sister virtues, and were especially recommended to the grave consideration of parents and guardians. His Lordship thought that the natural remedy for impurity lay in early marriages, and every young man and maiden should be instructed in this end. "Live pure lives," said the bishop; "speak pure words and think pure thoughts." Matters concerning the duty of the Church towards immigrants, the unity of the Christian Church and other points were also touched upon in the charge, which was listened to with the greatest of interest and attention.

At a later session, the Synod without debate passed a resolution by a vote of 70 to 29, condemning Jesuit Incorporation and the Estates Bill in similar terms to those generally adopted.

A motion to enable ladies to vote at vestry meetings was carried by 55 to 48.

The report recommending that all candidates for Orders be able to speak French was carried.

#### ONTARIO.

BELLEVEILLE.—Bishop Lewis, assisted by Rural Dean Carey, Rev. J. W. Burke, rector of St. Thomas' Church, and Rev. S. Daw, rector of Christ Church, confirmed about ninety candidates at Christ Church, last Sunday morning. His Lordship's address to the candidates was highly impressive. In the evening he preached at St. John's, and in the morning he performed the ceremony of consecrating Christ Church.

KINGSTON.—St. George's Cathedral.—On Sunday, the 17th, the bishop ordained the following:

Deacons.—Robert W. Samwell, a missionary at Mattawa; C. S. Goodman, St. Augustine College, Canterbury, Eng.; G. A. V. Rollins, F. Sc. A., St. Augustine College, Canterbury; J. M. V. King, Bishop's College, Lennoxville; C. O. Carson, B.A., Plantagenet; F. C. Powell, Trinity College, Toronto; H. F. Leake, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto; J. B. Haslam, missionary at Calabogie, Trinity College, Toronto.

Priests.—Rev. Francis Deslery Woodcock, curate of St. John's Church, Prescott; Rev. M. McA. F. Harding, late curate Holy Trinity Church, Brockville.

PRESCOTT.—During Whitsuntide a superb oak reredos was placed in St. John's Church, Prescott. This and a fine oak altar were the gift of W. J. Jones, Esq., M.D., of Prescott, and were erected in loving memory of his parents, and wife lately deceased. This fine reredos occupied the whole space at the back of the chancel. Over the re-table on which is carved the words, Holy, Holy, Holy, is some fine carvings cut out in the oak of a chalice, the vine with bunches of grapes, and also ears of wheat. The altar has in front three panels on which are carved respectively the sacred monogram and the symbols Alpha and Omega. On each side of the panels are abutments in the centre of each of which is carved a Greek cross. The abutments rest on Ionic pillars finely carved. The reredos is surmounted in the centre by a gothic arch in keeping with the style of the church. The opening of the arch shows the pictured window beyond, rising high above the centre of the arch is a pinnacle, having as its finial a Greek cross floriated, and on each side of the arch are pinnacles with fleurs de lis as finials. Similar arches at a lower elevation stand on each side of the storied window, having pinnacles

with fleurs de lis as finials, beyond these on each side are panels of beautifully grained oak extending to the chancel walls. On one of these panels on the North side of the altar is a brass stating that the reredos and altar were erected by the donor in memoriam. On the South side of the altar is a credence table, also of oak, and like the rest of the work beautifully grained. This fine work was executed by Mr. B. H. Carmonsbie, of Kingston, and is highly creditable to that gentleman's taste as an artist, and skill as a workman. We must congratulate Dr. Jones the liberal donor of this magnificent gift to his parish church on his good sense and deep religious feeling when determining to erect a monument to the memory of the dear departed ones, he should also make it the occasion of beautifying the House of God.

Synod of Ontario.—The Synod of Ontario was opened by divine service on the 17th June. A sermon was preached by the Rev. F. L. Stephenson, of Brockville, in which he defended the use of symbols, and said they might as well forego the use of church bells as these symbols. They were grand object lessons. In concluding his sermon he said the Protestants cried out against these things, but the most extraordinary thing was that it was Protestants who took most from their own to give to Rome and were year by year bringing us back under Romanism. It was Protestants who gave Romanism the separate schools; it was Protestants who gave to Rome \$400,000 of the people's money, and it was—thanks to the support of the ultra-Protestants—that Romanism was to-day dominant in Ontario. There has been an attempt to get up a sensation out of this discourse, which is national, as the press just now is suffering from a terrible drought of exciting news, so that every chance is seized to "boom" any incident that can be used to meet the demands for sensational purposes. On the 18th, business commenced by election of Rev. Mr. Spencer as clerical secretary, Mr. Rogers, lay secretary, and Mr. Walkem, Q.C., treasurer. The number confirmed last year was given as 1,582. The Mission Board reported an income of \$14,072. The number of Church's is 188, the total sum raised for Church objects last year was \$109,680. At two ordinations, 8 deacons were ordained and 6 priested.

Members of the Mission Board and delegates to the Provincial Synod were elected as follows:

Mission Board.—Lay—Judge MacDonald, Dr. Smythe, Judge Senkler, Judge Carman, Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, James Shannon, A. J. Matheson, and H. Hartney. Clerical—Rev. Messrs. E. H. Baker, J. J. Bogart, Burk, Nesbitt, White, Grout, Pettit, and Carey.

Provincial Synod.—Lay—A. J. Matheson, Judge MacDonald, Chancellor Henderson, Judge Senkler, R. V. Rogers, R. T. Walkem, Dr. Smythe, Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, Dr. Wilson, James Shannon, Judge Carman, and Col. Sumner. Substitutes—E. Elliott, T. C. Wilson, Dr. Preston, Dr. Jackson, S. Keefer, and Judge Reynolds. Clerical—Archdeacon Lander, Archdeacon Jones, Secretary Spencer, and Revs. J. J. Bogart, Nesbitt, White, Pettit, Lewis, Burke, E. H. Baker, F. L. Stephenson, and Carey. Substitutes—Rev. Messrs. Pollard, R. L. Stephenson, B. B. Smith, Harrington, Mucklestone, and Prof. Jones.

Judges MacDonald and Senkler with the clerical secretary were appointed to report on prison reform, and the Chancellor, Archdeacon Jones, Canon Pettit, Rev. Mr. Dobbs, and Rural Dean Baker, delegates to Toronto Synod Jubilee.

Several changes were made in the Standing Committees from those of last year as follows:

Rural Dean Carey placed on Clergy Trust Fund Committee; Rev. Mr. Wright and Mr. Pence on the Clergy Superannuation; Rev. B. B. Smith and Dr. Smythe, on Sunday Schools; and Rev. Mr. Morine and Rev. W. Wright on Church Statistics; Rev. J. B. Smith on the Widows' and Orphans' Committee; Dr. Preston, Rev. F. L. Stephenson, and Dr. Jackson on the Divinity Student's Fund Committee; and the latter on the Committee on Rectory Lands; Rev. J. K. McMorine and Dr. Jackson on Foreign Missions.

The report of the Committee on Communications from the Synod of Toronto, respecting Sunday Schools, through Rural Dean Pollard, reported requesting the Provincial Synod to sanction the adoption of a three years' course, commencing at Advent, 1888, prepared by the inter-diocesan Sunday School Conference.

Messrs. R. T. Walkem, Q.C., and R. V. Rogers, were elected lay representatives to the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions, and Archdeacon Bedford Jones and Rev. Mr. Pollard clerical representatives.

Forty-six missions were on the classification list for past year. For seven others special grants were made to the bishop; to be used at his discretion. The division of the large missions of the Upper Ottawa and North Hastings was recommended at the November meeting, and at the May meeting this year provision was made for carrying out said division. The

Upper Ottawa mission is divided into the missions of Mattawa and Petawawa, and for this purpose the grants to Mattawa and Alice have been utilized.

The mission of North Hastings has been divided into the missions of Montegale and Dugannon, to each of which a grant of \$400 has been made. It was considered advisable to detach Cobden from the mission of Beachburg and to attach it to Douglas, the new mission to be called Cobden.

#### TORONTO.

Church Woman's Auxiliary.—The June meeting of the Toronto Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the synod rooms on the 18th June. It was decided that there should be no meeting of the board during July and August. Appeals for boxes of clothing, etc., should be sent to Miss Paterson, 26 St. Joseph Street, secretary-treasurer of the Dorcas branch W. A., who has been appointed in place of the late Mrs. O'Reilly.

Presentation to Rev. Chas. Darling.—Rev. Charles Darling, rector of St. Mary Magdalene Church, on Sunday morning, the 16th June, was presented with a handsome sterling silver chalice and paten. The presentation was made by Ald. Verral, Messrs. Dykes and Gander on behalf of the congregation of St. Matthias' Church, among whom he labored for a number of years. Mr. Darling in answer to the address made a suitable reply, referring in feeling terms to the many happy years he had spent among his old friends in St. Matthias.

Grounds around St. James' Church.—An effort is being made to have the grounds around St. James' Church thrown open as a public park. With proper police supervision there seems no objection to this as these grounds have not been used as a grave yard. The citizens of Toronto are sadly at fault in not providing more open spaces. Large parks are desirable, but a city like Toronto ought to have a small park in every Ward. It is a pitiable sight to see the young, especially, compelled to use the public streets for recreation grounds.

NEWMARKET.—St. Paul's.—A handsome brass eagle lectern has been presented to this Church by a former parishioner. The lectern, which was manufactured in London, England, stands nearly six feet high; and the wings, which form a rest from the Bible, have a stretch of two feet in width. There is the following inscription on the base:

To the glory of God, and in loving memory of

JOHN AND ANN CAWTHRA,

Presented to St. Paul's Church

By Joseph Cawthra, their son, June, 1889.

The lectern was first used on Sunday, June 23rd, when the rector, the Rev. John Farncomb, expressed the gratification felt by himself and the members of the congregation in receiving so valuable an addition to the furniture of the Church.

SCARBORO.—One of those most interesting seasons of the "Ministry of the Young" happened on the 19th inst., when the Bishop visited the parish of Scarboro. Despite the down pour of rain from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m., confirmation was administered in two churches, where twenty-eight out of thirty-one prepared candidates presented themselves for the "laying on of hands." The intelligence and earnestness of demeanour of the young people were pleasing features. Two of them drove a second six miles rather than miss this means of grace, having been late at the first gathering. His Lordship's address to the candidates, previous to the sacred rite, was most happy and inspiring. May its effect be very lasting. Trinity Sunday, still echoed in its collect, gave the Bishop a strikingly appropriate cue for one of his addresses. At morning prayer the Rev. F. Burt, Incumbent, was assisted by his son, Mr. W. A. Burt, of Trinity College. It had been the wish of wardens to have shown the Bishop through St. Margaret's Mortuary Chapel and grounds, but the weather was so unpropitious. It is hoped that Mr. R. Seaborn, of Trinity, will officiate in St. Margaret's all the vacation.

#### NIAGARA.

HAMILTON.—Synod of Niagara.—Debate on Ritual.—Mr. A. F. Burton, a lay delegate from St. Thomas' church, Hamilton introduced a motion to memorialize the Provincial Synod as to the passing of a Canon on the subjects embodied in the celebrated Ritual Resolution of 1868. An exciting and interesting debate was ex-