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DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

Two new organs have been imported this year from England, for Chapels in Quebec. One for the Chapel of the Holy Trinity within the walls, served by the Rev. E. W. Sowel, the other for St. Mathew's Free Chapel in St. John's Suburbs, served by the Rev. H. Roe, one of the Curates of the Parish. The latter organ was first used on the 12th of August, and the Bishop preached upon the occasion, from Ps. xliii. 3, 4 the sermon being followed by a collection towards the expenses of putting the organ up. Both organs are of excellent tone and manufacture.

A beautiful stone Font, from the hand of Rowe, at Exeter, England, has recently been presented by the Rev. Official Mackie, D.D., to the Chapel at Silleri in the Parish of Quebec. (This Chapel not being yet consecrated on account of some debt lying upon it, has not formally received any name. It is licensed for Divine Service.) The Chapel, in the first pointed style, stands at the head, in correctness and ecclesiastical effect, of the edifices of the Diocese, and the same place may be assigned among Fonts to the present of Dr. Mackie. It is designed as a memorial of the donor's brother, Major Mackie of the British Army, who died of Cholera at Varna, while serving with the armies in the East, and it is encircled by an inscription in the old black letter character, carrying his initials and the date of his decease, together with the text, 1 Timothy, vi. 12.

A similar gift, sent out in the same vessel, has been made by the Rev. Principal Nicolls, to the Church at Watterville, which was for a considerable time served by that gentleman.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

CHURCH SOCIETY'S OFFICE,

7th November, 1855.

A meeting of the Central Branch of the Church Society was held this month—the Lord Bishop in the chair.

An abstract of the Treasurer's account was laid before the meeting, from which it appears that the following sums have been received since the last meeting:—

Subscriptions from Rev. E. DuVernet	£1	17	0
“ Edward Coyle	0	2	6
“ at Bromo	25	6	0
“ of M. H. Sanborn	0	10	0
“ of Mrs. Sanborn	0	10	0
“ of Rev. H. Montgomery	1	17	6
“ at Sutton	1	18	6
“ of Dr. Holmes	2	10	0
Collection at Henryville	0	15	0
“ Stanbridge East	3	16	3
“ Granby	1	9	6

The following collections have been paid to the Treasurer for the Widows and Orphans' Fund since the last report:—

Aylmer	£2	15	0	Bromo	0	16	6
Buckingham	1	5	0	Cathedral	23	0	0
Phillipsburg	2	5	7	Clarenceville	3	0	0
Lachée	8	15	0	Abbotsford	3	16	0
Goro	1	0	0	Sabrevals	3	15	0
Coteau du Lac	2	7	10	Phillipsburg	1	5	0
Sutton	1	3	6	Granby	1	6	10
Vaughan	1	5	0	Waterloo	2	16	10
Sorel	3	19	0	St. Stephen's and			
Bedford	1	6	0	Sheds	7	17	6
St. John's	0	0	0	Fredericburg	2	15	0
Henryville	1	2	8	St. George's, Mont-			
Chambly	5	0	0	real	28	0	0
Edwardstown	0	9	31				

EDWARD J. ROGERS, Secretary.

In accordance with the directions issued by the Lord Bishop of Montreal to the clergy of this diocese, in his circular letter of the 10th instant, thanksgivings were offered up in all the places of worship in connection with the Church of England, on Sunday last, in acknowledgment of God's mercies to us, as experienced by all classes, in the abundance of the recent harvest, and also for the successes which have been granted to our armies in the present war. Collections were made in aid of various charitable and religious objects. The attendance at morning service, at the Cathedral and St. George's Church, in this city, was very large. At the former, where Archdeacon Lower preached, forty pounds were collected; and at the latter, after a sermon from the Lord Bishop, the sum of twenty-nine pounds was collected, both of which sums will be applied in aid of charges on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund in connection with the Diocesan Church Society. In the afternoon, the bishop held his triennial confirmation for the city, at the cathedral. We never remember to have seen so large a congregation assembled there, except on the occasion of the Duke of Wellington's funeral, when all the other churches were closed during the day. All the city clergy were in attendance, and in consequence of the careful arrangements which were made, the greatest order and regularity were observed; and the candi-

dates, who seemed generally much impressed with the serious nature of the service, came forward and retired without any confusion. Notwithstanding the withdrawal of the military, who furnished ninety-six of the candidates on the last occasion, the total number now presented were rather in excess of those who then received this holy rite of the church, showing us the bishop remarked in his address, “a very considerable and decided increase in the ordinary general body of the church in this city, and he hoped that this was a token that the work of the church had not been neglected during the last three years; that the ministers had been zealous, and the people attentive; and that where they, as ministers, had been planting and watering, God had given an increase.” The numbers presented for confirmation, from the several congregations, were as follows:—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Cathedral	40	65	105
St. George's	31	55	86
St. Stephen's	8	17	25
St. Luke's	8	17	25
Trinity	1	3	4
Garrison	1	4	5
	89	161	250

The bishop has also recently visited and held confirmations, as below, at the following places.—

	Males.	Fem.	Tot.	
Sept. 30, Sunday,				
A.M., Longueuil,	2	5	7	Rev. R. Lonsdell.
P.M., Laprairie,	6	5	11	
Oct. 14, Sunday,				
St. Hyacinthe,	2	1	3	Rev. J. Godden.
Oct. 15, Upton,	8	4	12	
Oct. 17,				
A.M., Sou. Roxton,	2	7	9	Rev. G. Slack.
P.M., Milton,	1	6	6	

On the occasion of the bishop's visit to St. Hyacinthe, the building recently erected by the little congregation heretofore assembling in the Court-house, was opened for the first time for the celebration of divine service.—Com.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

At the meeting of the Society on the 6th October, the following grants were voted:

A set of service books for the use of the Church at Franktown, on application of the Rev. R. Lewis.

Books and Tracts to the value of £2 10s.