

In the evening the concert, for which we had been practising for the past month or so, passed off very well. The programme consisted of an instrumental piece, glees, songs, the time-honored but ever-fresh farce, "Box and Cox." In the Musical portion we had the kind assistance of Mesdames Hawkins, Evans and Corbett, and Messrs. Grant and Day, from neighboring parishes. Of our own, Mesdames Smith and Girling, and Messrs. Coley, J. Longbottom and Girling took part, while Messrs. Coley and Flaxman took Box and Cox respectively, assisted by Mr. Grant and Mrs. Bouncer. The audience seemed to appreciate the whole programme, and behaved in a model manner all through.

The proceeds from the whole day amounted so \$60, of which \$40 will probably be clear profit. A carpet for chancel and matting for the aisle of the church will form part of the outlay of this money, and will be a great improvement to our pretty church. The adornment of the house of God is a very worthy object for our labors.

Sunday, the 9th instant, was set apart in the parish of Swan River, Norquay and Somerset for the harvest festival and appeal for the Home Mission Fund. The Rev. S. Macmorine, M.A., rector of Portage la Prairie, kindly drove over to preach on the occasion. The day opened favorably and good congregations gathered at Swan Lake and Norquay. The services passed off very brightly, and the sermons were eloquent and instructive. The result was most satisfactory, \$14 at Swan Lake and \$11.45 at Norquay being contributed towards the fund. Most unfortunately a heavy rain storm prevented us from holding the service at Somerset.

Diocese of Qu'Appelle.

CONSECRATION OF ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH, BUFFALO LAKE, MOOSEJAW.

On Wednesday, November 2nd (All Souls' Day), the Lord Bishop of Qu'Appelle consecrated the recently completed church under the patronage of St. Columba. The congregation for several years during the incumbencies of Revs. W. F. Brown and W. Watson worshipped in a room of a granary, 16 x 12 feet. Obtaining help from friends in England and Eastern Canada, and contributing liberally themselves, they have built the exceedingly pretty little frame church at a cost of \$1,000, complete with nave, chancel, porch, bell tower, gothic windows and arch, raised altar and ornaments. The consecration service was held in the morning, the Bishop delivered an address on the life of St. Columba, and celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by the Rev. W. Watson, rector of St. Vincent, Minnesota, who sang the Litany and read the Epistle, and the Rev. J. S. Chivers, the present incumbent of Moosejaw. After partaking of breakfast at the settlers' homes, the Bishop, clergy and laity returned to the church and evensong was said by Mr. Watson. Mr. Chivers reading the lesson and playing the harmonium, and the Lord Bishop reading one of Bishop Westcott's sermons on the life of St. Col-

umba. The services were well attended by the church folk in the settlement, the day being observed by them as a general holiday, a few people also being present from Moosejaw, 14 miles distant.

Diocese of Rupertsland.

HIS GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP'S JOURNAL FOR OCTOBER.

The Archbishop arranged to hold Confirmations at Holland and Cypress River on October 2nd. These places are on the Glenboro and Souris line, so that in order to spend the Sunday at any station it is necessary to leave on Friday morning with the prospect of not returning till the following Tuesday night. To avoid this delay the Archbishop went to Brandon by the Friday evening express and then to Baldur on Saturday morning by the Northern Pacific. He had then to drive 19 miles from Baldur to Cypress River. The Rev. Wad. Clark, the incumbent of Holland, met him at Baldur. It was a very wet drive, but was pleasantly broken by dinner at Mr. Espin's about half-way between Baldur and Cypress River. The roads were made very bad and Sunday opened with a steady rain. The result was that the congregation was rather thin at Cypress River though increased by the Methodist minister and congregation. His service had been spoilt by the wet day and, as very few were present, they came over to the English Church. Of the thirteen candidates for confirmation one was detained by accident and two by distance owing to weather. The remaining 11 were confirmed 7 males 4 females, most of them adults. The church is very neat and the internal fittings are good. There is still a considerable debt on it. The weather cleared up in the afternoon when Mr. Clarke drove the Archbishop to Holland. The rain came on again in the evening and it was very dark, still 15 out of 16 candidates were present 8 males and 7 females, one of them a married woman. The congregation filled the church notwithstanding the unfavorable weather. This is also a very tasteful church; but there is still debt on it. The parsonage is inconveniently small. There seems a hearty feeling among the members of the church, so that it is hoped that the debt may soon be removed and the parsonage improved. The Archbishop found a most kind host in Mr. Banks at Holland. On October 9th the Bishop held a confirmation at Brandon and was the guest of the Rector, Rev. McAdam Harding. The weather again was very unpropitious—the roads in a very bad condition, and the rain threatening all day came on heavily in the evening. Notwithstanding this there were large congregations both in the morning and evening. Twenty-two were confirmed: several of them were from other Bodies and the majority adults. The confirmation was mainly intended for adults from the surrounding country but several were detained by the weather.

The Church of St. Matthew's Parish has been enlarged and beautified during the past year. There is still a debt on it, but this would have been removed by this time had it not been necessary from time to time to enlarge and improve the building. A good rectory would be a great addi-