

of Confirmation. Thirty-seven persons in all were confirmed. Large and attentive congregations were present and manifested great interest in all these services.

THE Dominion Government has appointed the Ven. John Strutt Lauder, D. C. L., Archdeacon of Ottawa, and Rector of Christ Church, to be Chaplain of the senate of the Dominion, *vice* the Rev. Canon Johnston, deceased. The Archdeacon is the third clergyman who will have filled the position, the first being the late Rev. Dr. Adamson, and the second, the late Rev. Canon Johnston. The Archdeacon has been rector of Christ Church, Ottawa, for over a quarter of a century. He will fill the post of Chaplain to the Senate with credit, and well merits this recognition by the Executive, as well of his position and talents. The emolument is \$400 a year. The appointment is one of the few places of clerical patronage in the hands of the Dominion Government. Your correspondent knows that he may, not only on behalf of himself, but also in the name of the CHURCH GUARDIAN, offer the Archdeacon the warmest and heartiest congratulations.

Your correspondent has read a great number of editorials lately on Martin Luther, but in one paper only, the Kingston *British Whig*, where I had not expected to see it, I found the following exhibition of gross ignorance of Church History:—"In most churches tributes were paid to the memory of Martin Luther, the founder of Protestantism." The italics are mine. The recent festivities and celebrations of the fourth centenary of the birth of Martin Luther, were not intended as memorials of a new, but of an old religion. All reformations are reformations backward to first principles.

A new and very handsome Baptismal font was presented by Dr. Jones, Archdeacon of Kingston, to the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Napanee, on Thursday, the 8th inst., (Thanksgiving Day), as a memorial to the late Mr. John Solomon Cartwright, father of Mrs. Jones. It is of octagon design, chiseled out of large blocks of choice marble imported especially from the quarries of Vermont, with Scotch and New Brunswick granite. The base and plinth are of beautiful dark blue mottled marble, the base 4-6 by 4-6, and the plinth 2-2 by 2-2, in this are placed four turned columns and the middle supporting shaft, on which rests the mammoth bowl, cut out of clear white marble and highly polished. The bowl measures 2-4 by 2-4 and bears suitable illuminated mottoes on the margin. On the plinth is the memorial inscription in gilt letters. Nearly two tons of marble were required in its construction. It is valued, I am told, at about \$350. The workmanship and design show excellent artistic skill, and taste, and are alike creditable to Mr. Koubert of Napanee, from whose establishment it had been turned out, and to the generosity of the donor. It is said to be the largest baptismal font in the district.

THE choir of St. Paul's Church, Kingston, gave a concert on Monday evening the 12th inst., in addition to the choir glees, there were solos by Miss Elliot, of Clayton, Mr. Rawnsley, Miss Bell and Miss L. Bateson. Mr. Rawnsley gave "Holy Friar," the rendition of which was loudly applauded. He also gave an excellent recitation. The solos by the choir were highly appreciated. The ladies of the Church are now making arrangements for holding an apron sale and supper in the second week in December.

THE first of the winter series of musical and literary entertainments in connection with Trinity Church, Archville, came off very successful. There was a large attendance, every part of the basement being occupied. The programme was opened by Miss Humphrys of Sunnyside, Billings Bridge, with a grand march on the piano, followed by a song the "Smuggler," by Mr. B. H. Humphrys. Readings by Mr. Small, duet the Misses

Coleman and Pearce, readings by Mr. Colin Campbell, songs by the Misses Carter and Pearce and Mr. Taylor, instrumental piece on the piano by Miss Hayter, and readings by the Incumbent, the Rev. Samuel McMorine, and Dr. Wicksteed of Ottawa. The proceedings were brought to a close with the National Anthem. These pleasant entertainments should be largely attended during the winter, as the ladies and gentlemen who are undertaking their management have the laudable object of paying of the debt on the Church.

THE new church at Newington, in the County of Stormont, was formally dedicated to the service of Almighty God on Thursday, the 1st November. The ceremony, which was very impressive, was conducted by the Rev. Canon Pettit, of Cornwall, assisted by other clergymen. The members of the congregation may justly feel proud of the result of their unremitting labours. An excellent dinner was served in Leslie Weaver's Hall on the occasion.

THE offertory at Christ Church, Gananoque, on Thanksgiving Day, was in aid of the erection of a See House for this Diocese. The church was appropriately decorated for the services, which were of a hearty and interesting nature.

## Province of Rupert's Land.

INCLUDING THE DIOCESES OF RUPERT'S LAND, SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSENEE, ATHABASCA, ASSINIBOIA, & SOUTHERN ATHABASCA

### DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

WINNIPEG.—No year in the history of the Diocese has shewn such substantial signs of progress in Church matters in the city as the present one. The new Parish of All Saints will shortly become an important factor in the Church life of the city. The new building will be ready for occupation by Christmas, and it will start with a surpliced choir and choral service. Mr. Saffery, late of Edinburgh, will be the organist. Rev. E. P. Crawford, of Brockville, has declined the Rectorship, and it is not known yet who will be in charge. The salary is \$2,000. The other new Parish (St. George's) is in charge of Rev. Canon O'Meara of the Cathedral staff. The first services will be started on the first Sunday in Advent in a room at the Central School. A set of communion plate and a fontlet have been presented by Dean Grisdale. There is no doubt that this Parish will soon become an important one, as the western part of the city is growing very rapidly. Besides these two, another parish is about to be formed north of the railroad track, out of the Cathedral and Christ Church parishes, and an effort will be made to build a school church near the Round House of the C. P. R., about which numbers of small houses are being built. Rev. S. Pritchard and Rev. H. T. Leslie, Immigrant Chaplain, are interesting themselves in this project. The new Holy Trinity will be roofed in this fall, and in connection with this Parish, Rev. O. Fortin contemplates starting a mission in Fort Rouge, on the southern side of the Assiniboine, which is rapidly building up with handsome residences. The services in most of the city churches have noticeably improved in their character. At St. John's Cathedral, since the appointment of Rev. Canon Coombes as Precentor, the singing of the boys has shewn marked improvement. On All Saints' Day, the commemoration day of the College, the service was intoned for the first time. The old pews will shortly be removed, and open benches substituted, and before long the boys will be properly vested in surplices. In Christ Church, Mr. W. A. Jowett is training a number of boys, and a surpliced choir will be introduced at Christmas. The new College, one wing of which, with the Warden's residence, is nearly completed, will be occupied at Christmas, and the Deanery, a

handsome and substantial brick and stone building, is now ready for occupancy. These are some of the tokens of progress, and some of them are as surprising as they are a cause of rejoicing to Churchmen.

HOLY TRINITY.—A society for amusement and mutual improvement has been organized called "Holy Trinity Winter Nights' Association." Rev. O. Fortin is very active in temperance work. There is a flourishing temperance society in connection with the Church.

CHRIST CHURCH.—The Guild has been re-organized for the winter, and divided into the following wards:—The choir, St. Cecilia; Sewing Society, St. Agnes; Sick and Poor, St. Luke; Church Literature, St. Augustine; District Visiting, St. Margaret; Church Decoration, St. Alban; Entertainment, St. Catherine; S. S. Teachers, St. George. Meetings are held on Tuesdays. St. Agnes now is making the surplices for the choristers of All Saints. Rev. Mr. Pentreath has announced a course of lectures for the winter months. At the church on All Saints' there was a celebration at 8 a. m., and Evensong at 7.30 p. m., with address on the "Commemoration of the faithful departed." On Thanksgiving Day 47 communicated at 8 a. m. There were services at 11 and 7.30 p. m.

COLLECTIONS for Home Missions were taken up in all the churches on Thanksgiving Day. The collection at the Cathedral was \$124, at Holy Trinity \$87, and at Christ Church \$45.30. The Bishop issued a Pastoral on behalf of Diocesan work, which was read in all the churches. Twenty-two missionaries are in part supported by these offerings.

HEADINGLEY.—A bazaar and concert in aid of the building fund of the Parish of Headingley, Church of England, Rev. A. G. Pinkham, Incumbent, was held in the school house at Headingley, under the auspices of the ladies of the Church. Rev. Canon Coombes, Mr. Hamber, and others, of St. John's College and Winnipeg, took part in the concert.

SELKIRK.—Several improvements have been made in the Church at this place.

### DIOCESE OF ASSINIBOIA.

MOOSENEE.—At a meeting of the Church of England congregation it was decided to relinquish the idea of building a church until spring. A building committee, composed of Messrs. Beaubier, Rossiter and Lewin, were, however appointed. Subscription lists were opened and placed in the hands of Hon. Mr. Manners and Messrs. Rossiter, Beaubien and Elliott. Two valuable building lots, centrally located, were liberally donated as a building site by the Canada and North West Loan Company, through their agents, Messrs. Neff Bros. Over \$300 were subscribed by members present. Messrs. F. G. Lewin and E. M. Rossiter receiving the appointments of secretary and treasurer, respectively. Rev. Mr. Sargent, Church Missionary, deserves much credit for the indefatigable and persevering efforts he has displayed in organizing a congregation and establishing Church matters on such a satisfactory basis in so limited a time at this place.

THE Hon. and Rev. Canon Anson, Bishop's Commissary for Assiniboia, has issued a letter to the clergy and laity in the new Diocese, announcing his appointment, and asking the laity to keep together and hold Services among themselves until such time as clergy can be obtained. Assiniboia is creating a great deal of interest in England, and we are hoping that the endowment for the bishopric will be obtained through the representations of Canon Anson. At the present time the Bishop of Saskatchewan, Canon Anson, and Canon Cooper, are in England pleading the cause of Missions in various parts of the North West.