

light; or, as the soul to the body, which last exists not only for itself but only to be the slave of the soul; and the two swords are a symbol of the ecclesiastical and secular powers, which both belong to the Pope, but he wields one himself and entrusts the other to princes to use at his behest and in the service of the Church. Gregory IX. went still further in the assertion of absolute domination over the State, and maintained that the Pope is lord of the whole world, things as well as persons. But what sort of world, you ask, was it on which such barefaced fabrications could be palmed off, and in which such monstrous claims could be promulgated and accepted and acted on? And the answer is that it was a wild world, a world of excessive ignorance and darkness, and confusion and strife. We can, I apprehend, form but a faint idea of the utter chaos that followed the break up of the Western empire, when the old civilization was swept away and the old Christianity trampled down under the feet of invading heathen hordes.

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## Home & Foreign Church News.

From our own Correspondents.

### DOMINION.

#### MONTREAL.

**MONTREAL.—Choir Festival.**—For some years past the choir of the Church of St. John the Evangelist in this city have been accustomed to keep St. Cecilia day, as a special festival. The Sunday following has been observed as choir Sunday. The musical portions of the service partake more of the festival character. This year St. Cecilia's day fell on a Sunday, the two occasions were therefore celebrated on the 23rd Nov. At 7.45 a.m., there was, as usual, the celebration of the Holy Communion. The Rev. Ogden Ford was the celebrant. The service was choral. There were about sixty communicants, twenty of whom were choirmen. At 11.15 there was a second celebration of Holy Communion. The Rev. Dr. Wright was celebrant, the Rev. E. Wood being deacon, and the Rev. A. French, sub-deacon. Gounod's "Messe Solennelle" was effectively rendered by the choir. In addition to the organ they were sustained by a piano and cornet. The sermon, a most eloquent one, was preached by the Rev. Ogden Ford, from St. Matthew xiii. 18: "Hear the Parable." It was listened to with marked attention by a crowded and reverent congregation.

At evening the church was again crowded. The service was very bright and hearty. The preacher, the Rev. Ogden Ford, in a forcible manner, explained the meaning of the clause in the creed, the communion of saints, dwelling particularly upon the present condition of the departed. At the close of the service there were sung in procession the well known hymn, "Jerusalem, My Happy Home."

**St. Martin's Church.**—Yesterday being the annual choir festival of St. Martin's Church, the musical portion of the services were of a special character, the rendering reflecting much credit on the organist, Mr. S. H. Taylor. Last evening the rector, Rev. J. S. Stone, preached, taking for his text the words, "Praise ye the Lord," from the 147th Psalm. In the course of his sermon the reverend gentleman enlarged upon the important position which praise held in the worship of God, and the qualifications of those who were to lead congregations in their praise. There was a very large congregation.

**A ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIEST ON RIEL.**—The late rebellion in the N. W. was, we believe, mainly caused by the Roman Catholic authorities, who were foiled in their policy in making the N. W. a second Quebec. The policy of that church is to go so far as is safe, and if serious risk of failure is in sight, then to withdraw and pretend entire innocence. These tactics are familiar to all who have seen Rome in other lands. We are glad therefore to find one priest, Father O'Dowd, of Montreal, rebuking the French-Canadians, who seem bent on creating a civil war in Canada, and because M. Riel was a Romanist of their race, and who therefore, as they argue, ought not to have been punished for his crimes. The reverend Irish priest said in a sermon preached on 22nd Nov.:

"The wretched man who had been executed had admittedly been guilty of two rebellions. He had sacrificed some of the best lives in the Dominion, and had initiated a war that brought about massacre, outrage, disaster and death. He had been fairly tried—

the highest court in the Empire had pronounced the sentence a just one. He had been pardoned for one rebellion; for the other, as the leader of savage tribes and semi-civilized half-breeds, who had to be taught respect for the law and the constituted authorities, the Government had taken the responsibility of making him suffer the death penalty."

He also warned his hearers that if the Romanists of Canada banded together to set law at defiance the result would be a Protestant alliance against them. If those whom the preacher called "Protestants," that is all English and Irish Catholics, were gifted with common sense, our manifest unity would keep our political enemies in check—but so long as party interests are more sacred than those of the Church of Christ, our enemies laugh us to scorn.

### ONTARIO.

**CARLETON PLACE, Nov. 23.**—During the week past this parish was visited by the Rev. W. H. Wadleigh, on behalf of the DOMINION CHURCHMAN. The Rev. gentleman succeeded in adding some sixty names to his list—there having been a fair number here already who took in this exponent of church thought and feeling. If the number of subscribers in a parish to church papers and periodicals is a safe test, then Carleton Place may be written down as a *live* parish. The church is strong in point of numbers and in influence, there being an average Sunday congregation of over 400. The church having been recently freed from debt and consecrated, the congregation is now in a better position to discharge those duties, for the non-performance of which local brethren are too often made the excuse. The parochial machinery now includes a guild, with junior and senior branches, which aims at supplying what yet is lacking in the decent furnishing of the church. The present object for which we are working is the procuring of communion plate more worthy the Holy office for which it is intended, than the existing vessels. The rector, after the manner of Savonarola, has asked offerings of gold and silver and precious stones to be used in its manufacture, and an encouraging response has been made. Another of our institutions is the Missionary Union, which, though proceeding in somewhat different lines, works in harmony with the diocesan branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Domestic and Foreign Mission. An Indian boy is maintained, clothed and educated at the Shingwauk home as part of the work of the union. We are contemplating a parochial mission before long, with a view to accomplishing for the spiritual building, what these societies are doing so successfully for the outward organization of the church.

**BEARBROOK.**—The Rev. Rural Dean Baker is now settled in his new mission and comfortable parsonage. His reception by his new parishioners was very cordial. The rector feels much encouraged, his churches being full from Sunday to Sunday. The church in Bearbrook was tastefully decorated for Thanksgiving Day by the young people, with fruit and flowers. A numerous congregation attended, and a good number remained for the Holy Communion. The offerings, which were in aid of the church repair fund, was unusually large. The numerous friends of R. D. Baker, in Deseronto and on the "Reserve," who gave him such a kind "send off," will be glad to hear of his well-being and success in his new and arduous field of labour.

### TORONTO.

**Death of Mrs. Wilson.**—It is with extreme sorrow we record the sudden death of the wife of Dr. Wilson, President of Toronto University. The deceased lady had been somewhat out of health lately; but was strong enough to attend church on the day preceding her death. Feeling unwell in the night, her daughter was summoned to her side, while Dr. Wilson went for a physician, but after a few moments, life ceased with a terrible suddenness. Mrs. Wilson was essentially a home wife, she did well the duty in that state of life unto which God called her, giving to all good works and good workers, earnest sympathies and counsel. The students who from time to time were received at the President's house will mourn over their friend, for such they felt their hostess ever to be. Dr. Wilson such they felt the comfort of knowing that though the call was sudden, it came to one prepared for the Master's presence. He, has, too, the support of universal sympathy.

**TORONTO.—Visit of the Bishop of Huron.**—Dr. Baldwin was in Toronto some days last week. Rumours are afloat as to the important business he was engaged

in. It is generally thought that two matters brought the Bishop of Huron to Toronto, one, the position of the Western University, the other, the condition of "the party"—both being in a grievous state. The internal trouble of the party threatens its collapse. The non-fanatical evangelicals, strongly condemn the course of the Wycliffe College Principal, professors, lay officers, and some of its thoughtless friends, in attacking so insidiously the parochial system of the Church. They think and feel that to employ a lay dissenting minister in administering holy communion to our young members in a private room, in actively drawing away children from our Sunday Schools, in seducing young teachers from parish work to work in connection with that organised by a dissenting minister helped by the staff and friends of Wycliffe college, is a direct attack upon the very life of the Church in such a parish. The evangelical clergy all over Canada condemn this dangerous anti-Church propaganda, so also do all thoughtful evangelical laymen. They see this, that such an agency will harass, thwart, and weaken the clergy and lay workers of such a parish, and will also disturb and worry the quiet minded and loyal hearted laity. They cannot accept the doctrine laid down by the Principal of Wycliffe that one Church is as good as another, and that it is no harm to parish interests to divide a parish by such strife and disorder. Whether Bishop Baldwin sympathises with the tactics of those who seek to destroy the parochial system, or condemns them, we are not informed. But we do know this, that if he or any other of our bishops approve of the policy defended by the Principal of Wycliffe College, the policy of ignoring the parish clergy, Church and Schools, the policy of setting the Bishop and the order of the Church at naught, such bishop or bishops will stand isolated from all the evangelicals of Canada, except the party agitators in the city of Toronto. And more, if such bishops do not plainly condemn the policy of Wycliffe College in this matter they will be recreant to their plain and solemn duty as rulers of the Church.

This policy will breed its like. Already threats are heard of beginning extreme Ritualistic missions in the parishes of those evangelical clergy who are party workers. How would Dr. Baldwin like unlicensed Ritualists to invade his diocese and carry on a Ritualistic propaganda? No evangelical bishop or priest or laymen could consistently object to this being done, who by word or by silence sanctions the attack made by the Wycliffe college party upon parochial discipline and interests. It may please the Principal of Wycliffe to fancy that he can bluff off our protests. But he will discover that in standing up for the parish rights of the clergy, for order, and for peace, we have the overwhelming mass of the clergy and laity on our side, and none more heartily so than evangelical churchmen. Of these we shall have, as we know already that we have, the warmest support from those evangelicals who are well educated and socially refined, for Christian gentlemen abhor lawlessness.

**ETOBICOKE.—St. George's Church.**—A five day's mission, beginning on Monday evening, 16th inst., was conducted by the Rev. T. W. Paterson, M.A., rector of Christ Church, Deer Park, in St. George's Church, ETOBICOKE. The services were fairly attended, and we trust that the earnest words spoken, will tend to awaken the careless and to deepen the spiritual life of all who were present.

**St. Philip's Church.—Concert.**—A highly successful concert under the management of Mr. I. T. Jones, was held in Shaftsbury hall on the 23rd November. The glees and other selections by the choir were well rendered, also solos and other pieces by Mrs. Parker, Miss Shaw, Miss Kew, Messrs. Whelan, Curran, Gay, Hutchison, Heath, Jones, and Corell.

**St. Peter's Church.—Temperance Meeting.**—The O. E. T. S. in connection with this church held a very successful meeting on the 24th November. The following officers were elected: President, Archdeacon Boddy; vice presidents, Messrs. Caldecott and Pearson; treasurer, Mr. Smallpiece; secretary F. W. Mason; with a committee, Mrs. Boddy, Mrs. and Miss Richardson, McKim, Morphy, Tomlinson, Marriott, and Geddes. Musical selections were well executed by Miss Mason and the "willing workers," and Mr. Geddes. Miss Boyd gave a reading, and Mr. Caldecott gave an account of a meeting of the O.E.T.S. in London, England.

We note with especial pleasure, the growing popularity and influence of the parochial Temperance societies. The only sound, lasting, relief that society can ever realise from the drink curse, will be the work of such organizations, we wish them, therefore, ever increasing prosperity.

**CAMPBELLFORD.**—The Rev. T. Walker, on taking leave of the parishioners of his former parish, the