

direction. True, a few medals and tokens had previously been produced within our borders, but none of them can lay claim to anything like the excellence of a work of art.

The dies were executed by Messrs. George Bishop & Co., who deserve much credit for the manner in which they have been finished, especially as it is their first attempt in that direction. Let us hope that it is only the precursor of as long and celebrated a series as that issued by the Messrs. Wyon. We may describe it as follows :

*Obverse.* Perspective of the Church building, "Western Congregational Church Montreal—Organized 1874." Ex : "Hutchison and Steele Architects."

*Reverse.* Legend "Corner Stone Laid June 10th, 1876." Ex. "And they were all with one accord in one place." Inscription in field. "Pastor, Rev. George Anderson, Church Secretary, J. Redpath Dougall—Committee, John Ritchie, Thomas Parker, John C. Smith, William P. Weir, J. H. McFarlane, J. Wm. Osborn, Charles Cushing."

The building here commemorated is being built of brick in the round Gothic style, flanked with a tower and belfrey. We herewith give an illustration shewing how accurately the engraver has represented within the narrow limits of a medal the outlines of the Church. Although many buildings have been removed and many still exist more worthy of commemoration, yet this Church without a history, has here a truly *lasting* commemoration, as the subject of the first truly Canadian Medal deserving the name.

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— A letter from Oliver Cromwell brought £50 at a recent London auction, while Queen Elizabeth's autograph to Henry IV. of France assuring him of her continued good faith, sold for only £30, and Martin Luther for £14, George Washington, however, took the lead of all, an interesting letter of his on the political state of America, selling for £95.