

not one that could administer the sacrament, except the Rev. J. Johnson of Hull. Now we have (not including Hull) five churches, all consecrated but the one last built in Chelsea village by Rev. F. Smith, and it will probably be consecrated next summer. The erection of a church in Chelsea is worthy of remark. It is only a few years (about seven) since a missionary took the charge of that district, and not with a very bright prospect of making a church congregation. Indeed, so much were the people prone to gathering for the various sects, Baptists, Plymouths, etc., and giving them their support, that the first missionary could not but express himself to the effect that Chelsea would have to run the course of sectarian teaching until the baneful effects of it was seen and felt on the morals of the people, and then they would be ready to receive the faith once delivered to the saints, and to worship the God of their fathers in the beauty of holiness. Let us hope that such may be their action now. They have now a very pretty little church, bearing aloft the "sign of salvation," and in all its details so arranged that they (the people) may feel that it is erected for the worship of God chiefly, and not for mere preaching purposes.—W.R.B.

ONTARIO.

BELLEVILLE.—ST. THOMAS.—The Easter Vestry Meeting was held in the Shire Hall, and was largely attended. Rev. J. W. Burke, Rector. Mr. M'Annany, who had been churchwarden for many years, having declined a re-appointment, the Rector appointed Mr. R. C. Hulme in his place. Mr. E. Harrison was again chosen churchwarden. Mr. J. H. Simpson was appointed Delegate to the Synod, and Messrs. R. Newbery and Geo. Wallbridge, Auditors. [This account was accidentally omitted last week.]

OTTAWA.—ST. ALBAN'S. At the Easter Vestry, Mr. Courtney was elected Delegate to the Diocesan Synod.

NIAGARA.

[From Our HAMILTON CORRESPONDENT.]

In your last issue, the Bishop of Niagara calls attention to two inaccuracies in my letter of the 6th ult.

The second inaccuracy consists in mistaking the action of the mission Board for that of the Bishop. Allow me to apologize for my mis-statement, and to say that when I predicated of the Chairman of the Mission Board that which was true only of the Board as a whole, I was inaccurate.

Our Easter Vestry meetings have passed off harmoniously.

You have already given an abstract of the Christ Church Cathedral proceedings. The following is the list of the churchwardens and lay delegates of the other Churches:—

ALL SAINTS.—Churchwardens: Messrs. James Mills and J. J. Mason. Lay delegate: Geo. Papps, Esq., LL.B. A committee was appointed to take measures for the erection of a School-house.

ASCENSION.—Churchwardens: Messrs. F. P. Bickley, and D. G. Greer. Lay delegates: (chosen, not yet elected) Messrs. E. Brown, A. Brown, and F. W. Gates.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION.—Churchwardens: Messrs. Nie and Bible. Trustees: Messrs. Hall, Nicholson, and Hornby.

ST. THOMAS.—Churchwardens: Messrs. J. Wylie, and R. R. Morgan. Lay delegates: Messrs. Meakins, Browne and Kilvert.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. J. B. Richardson for his conduct in the

chair, and \$200 was added to his stipend. The very Rev. The Dean of Niagara is about to leave for England in a few days. A handsome sum has been subscribed by his parishioners to defray the expenses of his visit. He leaves the Rev. G. R. Sutherland, B.A., who has been his curate for the last three years, in charge of the church of All Saints, and the Rev. J. Spears in charge of the Cathedral. Q. R. T.

TORONTO.

ST. THOMAS, TORONTO.—The annual Vestry meeting passed off in the most happy and cordial manner—Incumbent, the Rev. J. H. MacCollum, A.M. The accounts most satisfactory: no debt for current expenses. A. J. Thompson and J. Watson, Esq., were chosen churchwardens for the coming year; Messrs. Bishop and Hubble, sidesmen; Marcellus Crombie, Esq., A.M. John Canavan, Esq., M. M. Matthews, Esq., delegates. On Friday evening the congregation met in the school house, Bathurst St., and presented W. R. Bartlett, Esq., with an address, for his generous liberality towards the Church. It was read by Marcellus Crombie, Esq., Barrister, and a suitable reply made by Mr. Bartlett. The Congregation then presented an address to the Incumbent, with a purse of money. The address was read by John Canavan, Esq., Barrister: a very happy evening was spent with singing, music, and readings, and all felt how blessed it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.

The address congratulated Mr. McCollum on his success in the parish, assuring him of their appreciation of his ability and zeal as a Christian minister. It was signed by the Wardens, A. J. Thompson, John Watson. Mr. McCollum, in reply, said: "Exactly two years to-day, I came into the City to reside, and took charge, from the Lord Bishop, of this North-West parish. The progress since, in the advancement of the Church has, with God's help, been forward and steady, our prayers for peace and unity have been heard, and we are to-day, I trust, an undivided community. Through the generous liberality of one parishioner and the earnest and hearty co-operation of all, we have our Church handsome and neat in itself, with all things necessary for the due celebration of divine worship, almost, I may say, free from debt, and this inside of a year.

"You assure me of your earnest and heartfelt appreciation of my efforts as a Christian minister—next to the appreciation from Heaven of my poor though sincere endeavours, I shall always wish to merit the candid expression of kindly feelings, from those whose opinions of me I respect and value.

"I thank you much for your well-filled purse. Apart from the comforts it will procure, I esteem it as a token of the regard in which I am held by the donors.

"I am truly grateful for your kind wishes for myself and family. No one could take a deeper interest in the welfare of the parish, the choir, the Church, and Sunday-School than Mrs. McCollum—for this expression of regard to her, I am deeply thankful.

"Praying that the Great Head of the Church may ever be with us to guide and bless us, and that all spiritual and temporal blessings may attend you and your families, I am, dear friends, your faithful minister, J. H. McCOLLUM."

THE REV. J. CARRY has resigned the charge of the Credit Parish, and goes to England for a year on leave of absence, after a protracted course of uninterrupted clerical labour. His address in Canada

will be for some time, "The Synod Office, Toronto."

ST. JAMES'S, TORONTO.—The officers and teachers of St. James' Sunday School held a social entertainment in the school-room on the 25th, which was intended as a formal leave-taking of Miss Beatty, who has for some years been a pupil and teacher in the school—and who is about to be married and remove from the city. During the evening, Miss Beatty was presented with an elegant copy of the Bible, bound in morocco, and a beautifully engrossed illuminated address. Inside the cover was a handsome tablet, bearing the following inscription: "Presented to Miss Beatty, with a parting address, by the officers and teachers of St. James' Cathedral Sunday School, Toronto, April 25th, 1876." The presentation was made by Mr. John Gillespie, on behalf of the committee, Mrs. Grasett, Mrs. Baldwin, and Mr. John Gillespie. Mr. John Carter replied briefly on behalf of Miss Beatty.

ST. LUKE'S, TORONTO.—Delegates: Messrs. Clarkson Jones, James Young, Joseph Fletcher.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.—Lay delegates: A. H. Campbell, J. L. Bronsdon, R. Dunbar.

MILBROOK, ST. THOMAS.—Wardens: R. J. Armstrong, Archibald Wood. Sidesmen: George Campbell, Robert Hopkins, Thos. Medd, Charles Winslow. Delegate: Dr. Turner.

BLOOMFIELD.—Wardens: Martin Parker, George Elliott. Sidesmen: J. W. Hall, W. Graham. Delegate: A. R. Boswell.

MANVERS.—Wardens: George Sisson, Wm. Ward. Delegates: George Sisson, James Graham.

BETHANY.—Wardens: George Reynolds, Dr. Brereton. Delegate: Dr. Brereton.

CHRIST CHURCH, YORKVILLE.—On Easter Sunday, the services in this church were most heartily rendered by a crowded congregation and a strong choir. The chancel was most tastefully decorated with lovely flowers, the Reading Desk, Lectern, Font, and Holy Table being wreathed with the choicest exotics from the conservatory of the Hon. Justice Morrison. The number of communicants was larger by ten than on any previous occasion in the history of the parish. An admirable sermon was preached at the morning service, by the Rev. Chas. H. Mockridge, Rector of Hillier. An appropriate and practical sermon was preached by the Incumbent, the Rev. Mr. Trew, in the evening.

A new organ was used for the first time on Easter morning. It was built by Mr. Lye, of Toronto, and is an excellent one, and adds immensely to the beauty of the musical portions of the service. This parish is to be congratulated on its progressive spirit.

On Easter Monday, at the annual Vestry meeting, the retiring Wardens, Joseph Jackes and Wm. A. Baldwin, were re-appointed, and the election of Synod representatives had a similar result, sending back again Messrs. T. H. Ince, Philip Armstrong, and Thos. Elgie. Messrs. John Fiske, Jr., Henry Hague, Philip Armstrong, and Emilius Baldwin were appointed Sidesmen.

HURON.

BRANTFORD, GRACE CHURCH.—At the Vestry meeting, Messrs. Alfred Watts and Walter Jones were appointed Churchwardens.