

performance conducted by the choir, in which the congregation have little or no part. It would be better, in his view, to have choirs of double or treble their present size, and to divide them into two parts, one being in the front, and the other at the back of the congregation, so as to lead the people in their singing. The High Church party have made their services too much like concerts, in which the performers have prominent places, and the remainder of those present take no part. Evangelicals must not fall into this concert-hall arrangement. They must try to make the musical part of the services heartier, better, and more congregational. Our people do not want elaborate tunes, pitched in a high key, which the choir only can sing, but well-known tunes, well sung in a hearty manner, and sung in a key sufficiently low to suit the average compass of a congregation. Good, hearty singing of this kind carries a congregation with it, and encourages each individual to join, and to make melody in his heart.—*The Rock.*

Home & Foreign Church News.

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DOMINION.

MONTREAL.

CHELSEA.—The hard-working priest, the Rev. George Johnson, has for some time past been collecting funds for the building of a much needed parsonage along side his neat little church. To assist this laudable object the Young People's Guild, of Rochesterville, offered their services in providing a benefit entertainment. This offer was gladly accepted, and the school-house at Chelsea was filled until past eleven on Wednesday night, June 27th, with a highly delighted audience.

ONTARIO.

HAWKESBURY.—At a special vestry meeting held 11th July, 1888, the following resolution was passed: Resolved,—That this vestry desires to record its sense of the great loss sustained by the Church in this diocese, and more particularly the parish of Hawkesbury, by the decease of the Hon. John Hamilton:

That, as a loyal and liberal member of the Church, actively associated with its foundation and progress in this neighbourhood, both as a lay delegate and churchwarden, for a period of more than thirty years, this vestry feels that his removal by the hand of Providence creates a blank which cannot be easily filled:

That, in paying this just tribute to the memory of one who was in every way worthy of our respect and regard, and humbly believing it to be 'well' with him whom we mourn, this vestry tenderly sympathizes with the family of the deceased gentleman under the dispensation with which it has pleased our Heavenly Father to afflict them, and prayerfully commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best and all whose chastisements are meant in mercy.

Stuart Brock, Esq., was then elected to succeed the Honorable John Hamilton in the office of churchwarden for the people.

TORONTO.

COBOCONK.—A very handsome silver communion service, has recently been presented to Christ Church, Cobocok, by Mrs. B. B. Osler, of Toronto. A vote of thanks has been tendered to Mrs. Osler by Messrs. Ham, Revell and Burtcheall, on behalf of the congregation for her very kind and valuable gift.

PETERBOROUGH.—Another old and highly respected resident of this section gone. Died at Peterborough, on July 7th, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Ellen Choate, at whose place she was making a short visit and expecting to return to her home at Perry-

town, on Saturday, the same day as she died, Elizabeth Frank, wife of John McMurtry, Esq., Hope, and mother of William McMurtry, Midland; John F. McMurtry, Port Hope; Dr. T. A. McMurtry, Peterborough, and James A. McMurtry and Samuel F. McMurtry, Toronto; also Elizabeth, wife of John Fee, Omeme; Mrs. Ellen Choate and Ann McMurtry, an unmarried daughter. Death was caused through paralysis at the ripe old age of 77 years. The late Mrs. McMurtry was born in Yorkshire, England, July 3rd, 1811; came to Canada with her parents 1817, married to John McMurtry at Bowmanville in 1830, removed to Hope township in 1840 and since which time, excepting a few years, she with her family resided at Omeme. She has resided in this section highly respected and beloved by a large circle of friends and relatives. Owing to the suddenness of her death and the hot weather her family decided to bury their mother in the beautiful Little Lake Cemetery, Peterborough, and on Monday last the funeral took place from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Ellen Choate, the body being taken direct to St. John's English church, the rector, the Rev. J. W. R. Beck, being the officiating clergyman. After the casket was placed in the chancel, the beautiful and impressive service of the Anglican Church was intoned by the clergyman, and the following hymns, "ancient and modern," were sung, accompanied by the organ, the congregation of mourners remaining on their knees: Hymn No. 264, "Thy Will be Done;" No. 289, "So Soon Passeth Away and We Are Gone;" No. 399, "Surely He Hath Borne our Griefs and Carried our Sorrows." After the service at the church the procession formed and proceeded to the cemetery. The attendance of friends and relatives was large, although many had to come long distances. A most striking and appropriate incident, and by the special request of the deceased, was to see her five sons, William, John, Thomas, James and Samuel, and her daughter's husband, John Fee, as the pall-bearers. The floral offerings were large and beautiful, some of them being particularly worthy of mention: Wreath of immortelles, her son, John F. McMurtry; passion cross, immortelles, her grandson, Walter McMurtry; a large passion cross with letters thereon, I. H. S., immortelles flowers by her son, J. A. McMurtry, Toronto; immortelles wreath, her son, Dr. Thomas A. McMurtry, Peterborough; anchor immortelles, her son, S. F. McMurtry, Toronto; bouquets, Mrs. Mason; white lilies, Miss Allen and Miss Mitchell; also a huge wreath of immortelles, with simply Mother worked thereon in flowers, placed on the casket by the family. The late Mrs. McMurtry was baptized into the Church in England, and during her life has always remained a consistent member and communicant of the Anglican Church, and she took much pride in the fact that all her sons and daughters remain members of the same Church. *Requiescat in pace.*

STOUFFVILLE.—The members of the Church in this mission met at the residence of Mrs. McLean to bid farewell to the Rev. A. Hart previous to his leaving for Toronto. Mr. Rowden, on behalf of the congregation, read an address (which is beautifully engrossed) to him expressing their appreciation of his devoted services to the Church, and best wishes for his and Mrs. Hart's welfare and success in their new field of labour. A very valuable silver fruit dish was presented with an inscription recording the occasion as a token of esteem and good-will. Mr. Hart replied thanking them for the kindness exhibited to them in the past as well as the present. The company then retired to Mr. Rowden's residence where a bountiful repast was provided; after having done ample justice to the good things, a pleasant evening was spent in conversation and vocal and instrumental music.

DOVERCOURT.—On Wednesday, July 18th, the first garden party of this new parish came off very successfully. The main object of its promoters was to introduce the Rev. Anthony Hart and Mrs. Hart, whose first visit to the neighbourhood was on this day, to the people of the parish, advantage was taken of the opportunity to the fullest extent. The new rector and Mrs. Hart were tendered a most cordial and even enthusiastic reception by the large number of parishioners and other friends assembled, and warm congratulations and sincere good wishes for their prosperity and happiness in this new sphere of labour were the order of the day, or, rather, of the evening. The Committee which had charge of the preparations, and especially the ladies, are to be congratulated upon the result of their efforts. Though the showers earlier in the day kept many friends from a distance away, there was a large and happy throng upon the grounds to enjoy the good things which the ladies had abundantly provided, and the music of the Heintzman Band. The fine grounds of Edward Dawes, Esq., people's warden, where the party was held looked gay with flags and banners and lanterns and a large bon-fire. At the request of Mr. Eastman, warden,

Messrs. G. B. Kirkpatrick and H. C. Dixon gave brief addresses of welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Hart. They spoke in very hopeful terms of the future of the parish. Mr. Hart in reply thanked the people most sincerely for the very warm welcome given to Mrs. Hart and himself, and said that he hoped to be loyally supported in his work by all the people of the parish as he had never worked in a party spirit and his appointment was not a victory for any party in the Church. An incident of this party deserving of notice was the handing in to the rector by a working man, who desires his name to be kept from the public, of a tithe on some profits to form the nucleus of a Church Building Fund. The sum was fifty dollars, besides five dollars for Church expenses. May the anonymous giver be richly rewarded!

St. Barnabas.—The memorial window lately placed in this church by the Dominion Stained Glass Co., 77 Richmond Street West, is a beautiful specimen of decorative art. The central portion of the window is filled with a figure of St. Barnabas, and the side openings with designs of lilies and roses in rich opalescent and antique glasses. The design is well drawn and the coloring rich, effective and harmonious. The window as a whole has an exceedingly beautiful appearance, and reflects credit on both the manufacturers and on the church in which it is placed.

NIAGARA.

ARTHUR AND ALMA MISSION.—Monday, July 16th, was a red letter day at Alma when the corner-stone of Holy Trinity was laid; dimensions of church, which will be built of white brick, are 55 x 25 with stone basement. The corner-stone bearing the following inscription on the face of it: "The Church of the Holy Trinity, erected A.D. 1888, *Laus Deo*," was laid by the Rev. Reginald S. Radcliffe, rector of Mount Forest, the office for laying corner-stone was said by the mission priest. The Elmira Band furnished the music, and the choirs of Holy Trinity, Alma, and Grace Church, Arthur, supplemented by the clergy, rendered the musical portion of the service grandly. When the corner-stone was laid, and whilst the churchwardens were gathering the offerings, the Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe, mission priest, laid \$61 on the stone for friends unavoidably absent, viz., Mrs. P. L. Spencer, Thorold, \$25; Mr. Elliott, Guelph, \$10; Mr. Walker, Alma, \$10; Rev. P. L. Spencer, Thorold, \$5; Mr. J. C. Chadwick, Guelph, \$5; Mr. H. Selby, Stayner, \$5; Mr. Stidson, \$1. After the benediction the clergy headed by the band re-formed and marched back to a private residence to unrobe, singing, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." The Rev. R. S. Radcliffe delivered a splendid address after laying the corner-stone, and all were greatly impressed with the solemn and beautiful service they had witnessed. After dinner speeches and music were the order of the day; the clergy present and on the platform were: Revs. R. S. Radcliffe and T. Bates, Mount Forest; Thos. Smith and R. S. Locke, Elora; A. Bonny, Moorefield; R. T. W. Webb, Grand Valley; E. Belt, Hamilton; and Messrs. W. E. A. Lewis, W. F. Webb, and H. B. Moore, licensed catechists. There was a nice turn out of church people from the neighbourhood, Mayor White and wife, Mrs. Dr. Henderson and Mrs. Dr. Orton and Mrs. Lewis, vice-president of Women's Guild, from Arthur; Mr. Henry Clarke and Dr. Padgett, from Elora. Letters were read from Revs. P. L. Spencer and R. C. Caswall regretting their absence. Proceeds, \$188.00.—"*Laus Deo*."

HURON.

SIMCOE.—The beautiful grounds at Lynnwood, the residence of Duncan Campbell, Esq., presented an animated appearance on Thursday evening, July 5th, the occasion being a garden party under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of Trinity Church. The attendance was large. The 39th Battalion Band was in good form and contributed several pieces of music to the delight of all. The grounds were handsomely illuminated; while the booths, at which the ladies dispensed the refreshments, were beautifully decorated. The beaming faces everywhere seen and the merry talk and laughter everywhere heard were an index that happiness and enjoyment reigned supreme. The proceeds amounted to \$100.

NEW HAMBURG.—St. George's.—A garden party arranged by the "Ladies' Aid Society" on Wednesday evening, the 4th, was both financially and socially a success. The spacious and well-kept grounds of Mr. John Alchin and of "Hemingstone Lodge" adjoining were thrown open, and presented a very attractive scene, being gaily decorated with flags, etc., and brilliantly lighted with lamps and Chinese lanterns, so that all might read the different signs at the various

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