

Montreal and after the division of the Diocese as Bishop of Quebec. Bishop Williams visited the ruins of the fabric when with fallen roof and gaping walls and broken windows it seemed to be destined to rapid destruction, but he was enabled the year before his death, to see it in a fair way of restoration, owing mostly to the zeal and perseverance of the late Rev. E. C. Parkin, a well known Clergyman of the Diocese for many years, who did not live to see the work completed. The Church was visited by our present Bishop in the Autumn of 1833, seventy years after its erection, when he cheered the hearts of those concerned in the welfare of the old place by declaring it was not his intention to see "The Holy Places neglected." The first missionary here was the Rev. J. Driscoll, 1823 to 1827, when it was connected with Riviere du Loup. It was served from Three Rivers, 1827 to 1835, under the names of Revs. S. S. Wood, Francis Evans, George Archbold, H. H. Burwell and H. Burgess, who became Incumbent at that date and continued in charge for twenty-seven years. In 1862 it was again connected with Three Rivers, when we find the Revs. J. Torrance, Geo. Heaton and F. A. Smith officiating up to 1864, when the Rev. Andrew Balfour was in charge until 1869. He was succeeded by the Rev. Joseph DeMoupiet, who served the Church until the year 1873. It was then connected with the Indian Mission of St. Francis and is supposed to have been regularly served for two years by the Revs. O. and A. Fortin. Then come the names of the Revs. E. A. W. King and F. A. Smith, as Missionaries, each for one year, after which the Mission was again connected with St. Francis, under Rev. Edward Roy, up to 1881, when the Church work seems to have died out and the Church became a ruin. Perhaps one reason was the well-known antipathy of the St. Francis men to the Church of Rome which stirred up bad feelings among the surrounding people. The work was then taken by the Rev. E. C. Parkin, who has been mentioned before. He continued up to 1890, when he was succeeded by the Rev. T. L. Ball, the present Missionary.

The outstations were St. Monique and St. Zephrin's up to 1870, when they were closed by the removal of the Church Members, in 1875. St. Leonard and Madington were opened as being seats of Tanneries

or extract factories for tannic acid. St. Leonard was closed in 1882, Madington is still open with one family and two other Protestants. Bulstrode, opened 1876, was closed again in 1893. Stanfold opened 1881 is still visited, there being two families and two other persons. Victoriaville opened 1880, has now three families remaining. Forestdale opened 1893 has a resident Congregation of about forty souls.

Among the Pew Holders, we find the names of Chandler, Trigge, McKenzie, Robins, Coughtrie, Church, Alexander, Gilmore, Cotterell, Montgomery, Read, Richardson, Follinshee, Sinclair, Rutherford, Stuart, Woodward, Hale, Biden, Morrison, Quinn, Daily, Webster, Doncaster, Grant, Weyland, Hughes, Leith, Ronald, Marsden, Philpotts, Smith, Thompson, Walker, Hinds, Chalmers, Marler, Jennings, Pruneau, Candleish, Simmonds, Chamberlain, Symington, Guthrie, Dunlop, Seymour, Walsh, Mrs. Cressie, Mrs. C. McCaffrey, Mrs. A. Proulx and others. In 1863, Pew rents were abolished, and expenses met by offertory and subscriptions, the Revenue of Endowment Fund then becoming available to be paid to the Incumbent or Missionary according to trust imposed upon the Church Society and by vote of Vestry.

For some years, H. W. Trigge, who succeeded his father as Seigneur, resided at Nicolet and took an active interest in the Church. He was succeeded by his brother, Capt. Alfred Trigge, who resides in Hamilton, Ontario, and does not naturally feel the same interest, though it is to be hoped he will always cherish old associations and the memory of his ancestors buried here. This being the only Burying Ground for Protestants in the Counties of Nicolet and Arthabaska, it will no doubt be cared for in time to come and used by those who have friends already buried. The congregation resident is very small indeed but frequent visitors attend the Church, when Service is held. A record of these has been kept for the last five years and nearly one hundred names are found for shorter or longer periods. The care of the Church property and the Ministering to the few residents at Nicolet and out stations will always be a work of sufficient importance to use the revenue of the present Endowment and much more, if the work is to be properly done. It is to be hoped some person interested may increase the capital of the fund or that the exigencies of the Dio-