

When Charlestown bridge was opened, on the 17th of June 1786, they joined with the guns at the Castle, on Copp's hill and on Bunker hill in celebrating the union of the two towns, and in a few days they may welcome the city of Charlestown to a closer union.

The first organ was brought from Newport in 1736. Mr. William Price, who was very active in all parish matters, not only went to Newport to examine it but also offered to play upon it gratuitously for one year, after which he was to have a salary of ten pounds per quarter. Some years afterwards when Mr. Greaton, Dr. Cutler's assistant, was sent to England for orders, he was requested to bring back with him an organist "who had some trade—if possible a barber—whom the congregation might improve in his occupation." The second organ, was made by Thos. Johnston in 1759. The interior of this organ was rebuilt by Mr. Goodrich about fifty years ago. The four figures of cherubin in front of the organ, and the two chandeliers were presented in 1746 by the Captain, John Grushea, and the owners of the British Privateer named the *Queen of Hungary*, and were taken from a French vessel.

Our ancient records, and the ponderous account books, kept with scrupulous care and wonderful penmanship, give the names of generous friends who contributed towards the cost of the church, organ and bells. They refer to the courtesies extended to the new parish of Trinity Church, to a dinner given to the clergy who held a convention in this Church in 1738, and to the congratulations offered to Gov. Shirley, on the arrival of his commission in 1741, when the Wardens and Vestry waited upon his Excellency, of course in full dress, with Dr. Cutler in his Canonicals.

At every meeting of the New England clergy our first Rector seems to have taken the lead. His long and useful ministry forms a large portion of the history of the Church in Massachusetts. While he avoided controversy with those who differed from him in theological views, he was zealous in contending for