

John Beattie, and Mr. John Pope, city treasurer. The former held office for some fifteen years. The latter has the unusual distinction of having been superintendent of the Sunday school since its inception, in 1873. Other wardens have been Messrs. R. B. Hungerford, John Wright, Charles Richardson, Geo. D. Sutherland, J. H. A. Beattie, J. K. H. Pope, R. Southam, J. M. Dillon, Prof. Harrison. The main change made in the church was the addition of two transepts. These are lighted by windows, each 18x24 feet. The transepts afford an addition of 40x60 feet to the church. A new chancel, 24x29 feet, has also been built, with organ chamber, vestry and choir vestry. The total length of the church is now 120 feet, and the seating capacity is nearly 1,000. The main entrances remain as formerly, but there are now three doors, each leading to separate aisles. The centre aisle is especially wide, and there is no dearth of room anywhere. The floor declines perceptibly toward the chancel, permitting of an uninterrupted view of the service proceeding in the chancel, which is raised some two feet from the church floor. The chancel and aisles are carpeted with a rich importation from England, obtained through T. F. Kingsmill. The ladies of the congregation have had charge of it, and have selected a Brussels of crimson ground with black fleur-de-lis. The design is ecclesiastical. The artificial illumination of the church will be by electricity. Two chandeliers and side lights are utilized. The main chandelier is of novel and elaborate design, with the forty lamps hung in clusters of five or ten. The rear chandelier has about twenty-five lamps. The walls and ceilings of the church have been very becomingly tinted, and Mr. Peter Glenn has done a real work of art in an inscription in red, gold, and blue, over the chancel arch, bearing the text: "Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." The seating of the church is new throughout, and is one of the features of the improvements. The seats are models of comfort and good looks. They have been put in by the Preston Company, and are of oak, with curved veneered backs, the grain running up and down in a way that is new and attractive.

The church organ has undergone very considerable improvement. It has been changed from one side of the chancel to the other, and the tone and capacity of the organ has been bettered materially. Warren & Co., of Woodstock, have had this in hand. The memorials placed in the church are all very beautiful and costly. A chancel window has been put in by N. T. Lyon, of Toronto, on the order of Mrs. Burkholder, in memory of her husband and daughter. Christ's Ascension is the scene depicted. The Master is seen slowly rising from earth, in the attitude of blessing, while beneath are the wandering Apostles in the attitude of prayer. The window is a magnificent work of art. Another memorial window, not yet completed, nor put in, will be placed in one of the transept windows. It will be the gift of Mr. R. W. Puddicombe, to the memory of his late father and mother, who were members of St. James church for several years. The subject is "Christ's visit to Emmaus." The stone baptismal font presented by Mrs. H. H. Nelles, has been re-arranged. Two very beautiful brass prayer desks have been erected by Mrs. Clifford, one in memory of her husband, and the other in memory of her son Matthew, who was for many years a member of the choir. The desks have been built by R. Dennis & Son, and the design is superb. A massive lectern of brass, also built by Dennis, has been erected by Mrs. C. S. Hyman, in memory of her son, Charles Ellis Hyman.

The pulpit is likewise of brass, and in design and beauty is in keeping with the prayer desks and lectern. It has been erected by the rector, in memory of the late Rev. W. Davis and Mrs. Davis, his father and mother. Two hymn tablets, of neat and handsome design, have been donated by Mr. C. B. Hunt. A brass tablet to the late Col. Hodgetts is among the memorials. One of the chancel windows is the gift of the Sunday school. A memorial window, which was in the old church, has been placed by Mrs. W. H. Whitehead.

The opening services will be continued over four Sundays. The Bishop of Huron was the preacher the first Sunday, morning and evening, and the

Dean of Huron, the preacher in the afternoon. On the second Sunday Rev. Dyson Hague will be the preacher. On the third Sunday, the Ven. Archdeacon Mills, of Montreal, will be the preacher.

Brantford.—At the evening service in Grace church, Brantford, 31st ult., an eloquent and highly-instructive address was delivered by Principal Dymond, from Isaiah lx. 1, upon "The Church in the Mother Land; Its Past, and Its Present," in which the advancement and notable progress made by the Anglican Church during the past thirty years was carefully reviewed, showing that the invocation of the Prophet Isaiah, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come," had been nobly responded to along all lines of Christian work and advanced thinking.

Courtright.—Rural Dean Davis, of Sarnia, held Thanksgiving services in this parish on the 17th ult. The Church Hall was prettily decorated for the occasion with fruit, flowers, maple leaves, and moss. Our new church is nearing completion, and will be opened for service ere long. It is painted cream, with dark-green trimmings, and looks very pretty. The inside walls are a grey. The seats and other fixtures are not yet put in position. Rev. R. S. W. Howard, our rector, has just returned, after two months' leave of absence. It is not yet known whether his health will permit him to remain with us during the winter months. His place has been filled by students from Huron College, who will continue should his absence be necessary.

Mount Pleasant.—On Thursday evening last the many friends of Rev. A. B. Farney met at the rectory to say farewell before his removal to Gorrie. A very pleasant evening was spent in speeches, vocal and instrumental music, and recitations. After a dainty luncheon had been served, Mr. A. T. Briggs was asked to read the following address: "Dear Mr. Farney,—We have met here to night to say farewell to you, as you are soon to leave this parish for another field of labour. During your residence in Mount Pleasant you have made many warm friends, both in your church and among others with whom you have been associated, and now that you are about to leave us, we cannot let you go without showing some manifestation of our love and esteem both for yourself and Mrs. Farney. Since coming to Mount Pleasant you have been a diligent and earnest worker in your Master's vineyard. As a citizen and friend, you have ever been kind and true, always ready to lend a helping hand or give a kind word in time of need. You have performed many acts of charity, and your smiling face has always been a source of pleasure to those in sickness or distress. You have always been a diligent worker, especially among the young people, and the influence you have brought to bear on their moral characters will no doubt be felt as long as life lasts. And now that the time to say good-bye has come, we ask you to accept as a slight token of our love and esteem this side-board, and we hope that in after years it may remind you of many friends and faces you have left behind. Regretting your departure, our earnest wish is that God's blessings may be showered upon you and your little family, and that you may all live to see many years, and be instrumental in carrying on the good work of extending Christ's Kingdom, and when you are called to your reward, you may then hear those loving and comforting words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Mr. Farney responded with a few feeling remarks, thanking the people for their many kindnesses to himself and family during his incumbency over this parish.

ALGOMA.

GEORGE THORNELOE, D.D., BISHOP, SAULT STE. MARIE.

Dunchurch.—F. R. Godolphin has taken charge of this mission after twenty-seven months' work in Sturgeon Falls mission, and requests Prayer Books and hymns A. & M. for the mission. Old ones could be used, as the great majority of people here are too poor to purchase. The mission covers fifty square miles, with four outstations, and only

in this one place are there the necessary, or, indeed, any books.

British and Foreign.

The late Lady Jane Dundas has bequeathed the sum of £1,000 to St. Mary's cathedral, Edinburgh.

The Rev. H. Webster, curate of Beccles, has volunteered for work in British Honduras. Beccles is in the Diocese of Norwich.

Two ladies have offered to present to the Missions to Seamen a church for the use of the sailors frequenting the Port of London.

The Hon. and Rev. A. T. Lyttleton, Vicar of Eccles, has been appointed to the office of Lady Margaret Preacher in the University of Cambridge.

The death is announced of Miss Frances Elizabeth Cox, the writer of the well-known hymns "Jesus Lives!" and "Who are These Like Stars Appearing?"

The "Lion" sermon was preached on the 16th ult. in the Church of St. Katharine Cree, Leadenhall street, by Canon Erskine Clarke, Vicar of Battersea.

It is stated that the mastership of the Charterhouse, rendered vacant by the death of Canon Elwyn, will be offered to Dr. Haigh Brown, the present head master of Charterhouse School.

Archdeacon Rawstone has given the sum of £3,000 to the Royal Cross School for the Deaf, at Preston, which gift will enable the management to accommodate all the deaf and dumb children in North-east Lancashire.

The special preachers at the services held in the two principal churches on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Council of the Church in Scotland, were the Bishop of Chester (Dr. Jayne), and the Archdeacon of Auckland (Dr. Watkins).

Forty three lady missionaries were recently sent out into the foreign field by the C.M.S. No less than ninety-seven missionaries of both sexes have left England this year under the auspices of this society, fifty-five of whom are going out for the first time.

The Rev. S. A. Selwyn, who succeeded the late somewhat notorious Rev. Arthur Tooth as Vicar of St. James', Hatcham, and who is now the Vicar of St. John's, Boscombe, Torquay, is about to commence a missionary tour in India, which will last throughout the winter months.

Several hundred Roman Catholic pilgrims visited the tomb of King Edward the Confessor in Westminster Abbey, on St. Edward's Day (Oct. 13th last), and prayed before it. Some of these pilgrims were priests, and the ordinary visitors to the Abbey appeared to be puzzled at the rare sight of Roman Catholic priests worshipping in the Chapel of the Kings.

The first annual choral festival for the Diocese of St. Andrew's was recently held in St. Ninian's cathedral, Perth, in the presence of a very large congregation. It was attended, amongst others, by his Grace the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Zanzibar.

A memorial cross was recently placed in the Hawarden church, on the column in the rear of the seat in which the late Archbishop Benson expired a little over a year ago. This cross has been placed there by his son, Mr. A. C. Benson. In addition to the above, a brass cross has been let into the shelf of the pew in which the Archbishop worshipped on the day of his death. The seat is usually occupied by Mr. Gladstone. As a further memorial of the sad event, a handsome processional cross, subscribed for by the parishioners of Hawarden was installed in the church.