

ing, one of the preachers being the Rev. Mr. Shelton, of Montpelier. On Wednesday evening the Bishop arrived, with the Bishop of Montreal also, Metropolitan of the Church in the British Provinces, who was accompanied by several of the Canadian clergy. On Thursday Morning the procession of two Bishops, fifteen priests, and two deacons, formed at the house of Mr. Hunt, and were received at the Church door by the wardens and vestrymen. On taking his seat on his chair in the chancel, the Instrument of donation and request was brought up by Mr. Paul, the senior warden, the vestry in a body accompanying him to the choir of the chancel, where they stood until the document was presented to the Bishop and then read aloud by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Fay. They then retired to their seats at the head of the nave, and the Bishop proceeded with the consecration service, the sentence of Consecration being read by one of the deacons. Several of the Canadian clergy took part in the services of the day, and the Bishop of Montreal took the Antecomunion and the greater part of the Communion Service also. The sermon by Rev. Dr. Nicholson, of Boston, was a discourse of remarkable eloquence and power on the words of the Psalmist, *Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thine House, and the place where thine honour dwelleth*, and enchained the attention of the whole of the crowded congregation down to the latest word. One of the visiting clergy was heard to say that "he would travel a hundred miles willingly to hear a sermon like that." A very large number of the faithful remained to partake of the Holy Communion, in the administration of which the Bishops were assisted by the Rev. Mr. Townsend, of Canada, and the Rev. Professor Hicks, of Burlington. The final prayer and the Blessing of Peace were said by the Bishop of Vermont.

In the evening there was divine service again, and the Bishop of Montreal preached an excellent practical discourse, on the duty of attending to religion during the period of youth. It bore especially on Confirmation; and after the sermon, six persons were presented by the rector and confirmed by the Bishop of the Diocese, making *twenty-three* confirmed there during the year. The material and the spiritual work of Church building seems thus to have been going on vigorously together, helping one another. The Church was crowded in the evening as it had been in the morning. The series of services was closed on Friday morning by divine services and a sermon from the Rev. Mr. Upjohn.

The music was, throughout the services, of the best character. There was an absence of everything like an attempt at mere display; but the full volume of earnest and hearty voices, well practised, and in spirited time, carried up the spirit of all who listened as well of all who took part in it. The weather, too, was as delightful as could be; and on the afternoon of the consecration day, the abundant hospitalities of the Church people towards their numerous visitors culminated in a pleasant entertainment of the whole company at the residence of Mr. White.