

or three years later he was made Incumbent of S. Peter's, Quebec; and again, later, in 1866, he joined Archdeacon Roe in his work at S. Matthew's, and succeeded him on the Archdeacon's removal to the Eastern Townships in 1869. It would take up more space than we can spare to tell of his "labours more abundant" in this Parish. To him the Diocese of Quebec owes the present beautiful and costly S. Matthew's Church, erected to replace the old S. Matthew's which had been built by the Reverend Armine Mountain after the great fire in 1845.

In January 1885 Mr. Hamilton was elected second Bishop of Niagara, whence he was called away in 1896, with universal approval, to fill the position of first Bishop of Ottawa, the Metropolis of Canada.

Of his ten years of labour, unwearied, genial and abundantly successful, as Bishop of Niagara, we must say nothing. They form an example of what the life and work of a Christian Bishop ought to be.

His Lordship now fills the important position, so strongly emphasized in his friend Archdeacon's Roe's Sermon, of Bishop of the Metropolis of the Dominion of Canada. When Bishop Hamilton was elected to that position, every one acknowledged the wisdom of the choice. To represent the Church and present her claims to such an assembly of able, thoughtful and influential men as the Capital City of Canada must always possess, a Bishop ought to be chosen, it need scarcely be said, with corresponding gifts and ability:—A man possessed of social influence;—a man of deeply religious character;—a man of good sense, tact and statesmanship;—a "well-learned man" and "apt to teach";—a strong Churchman, and yet full of loving sympathy with whatever is good in all who profess and call themselves Christians. He who provided the place provided also in Dr. Hamilton,—need we scruple to say?—the man to fill it.

The Bishop of the Capital City of the Dominion ought to be, according to all Church principle and all ancient precedent, an Archbishop,—ought to be, by virtue of his Bishopric, Primate of all Canada. We hope the Churchmen of Ottawa will lay to heart the outspoken words of Archdeacon Roe on this point.

The new Bishop should be a happy man, possessing as was manifest he does on the occasion we are chronicling, the love and confidence of both his Clergy and Laity to a very unusual degree.

BENEDICTION OF
**Christ Church Cathedral,
Ottawa,**
AND INSTALLATION OF THE
**First Dean and Canons, and
Treasurer Seneschal.**

We have much pleasure in acceding to the request of the Diocese of Ottawa, that we should print the Sermon preached by our Archdeacon at the installation of the Capital Body in the pro-Cathedral of the new Diocese. The following account of this most interesting function, furnished us by the Lord Bishop of Ottawa, forms a very suitable preface to the Sermon:—

The large and handsome Church, chosen for the pro-Cathedral,—Christ Church, the Parish Church of the City of Ottawa,—was crowded to the doors when the Choir, preceded by the Cross-bearer and followed by nearly all the Clergy of the Diocese, with the Bishop of Ottawa and the Primate of Canada entered, singing the well known Hymn "The Church's one Foundation, etc."

When the Hymn ceased, the Senior Canon designate read Exodus XL v. 17 to the end as affording both foundation and instruction for the Benediction of the Parish Church as the Cathedral of the Diocese.

When the lesson was ended the Bishop, attended by the Chancellor of the Diocese and the Rector of Christ Church, stood at the Chancel steps and addressed the people thus: Brethren beloved in the Lord;

Two solemn acts, full of benefit and blessing to the Church in this Diocese, as we humbly hope, are before us this evening.

First—We are about to constitute this Parish Church the Cathedral of this Diocese and to implore the blessing of ALMIGHTY GOD upon its use as such.

Second—We are to install the first Dean and Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral.

A Cathedral is more than a Parish Church. It is the Church of the Diocese. It is the mother of all the Churches. It is the home of all the people throughout the Diocese. Here all the Clergy, and all the people meet as the Church, the Body of Christ in this Diocese, to engage in solemn acts of worship.