

"Christ is gone up, yet ere he passed
From earth in heaven to reign,
He formed one holy Church to last
Till he should come again."

During the singing of this hymn, stoles were placed on the shoulders of the newly ordained deacons. Then came the deeply affecting and solemn address to the candidates for the priesthood, the awful questions and answers, and the involving of the Holy Spirit in the ancient hymn, "Veni Creator Spiritus." This was sung with great solemnity to the simple fourth ending of the First Gregorian Tone; all those present, Bishop and clergy, choir and people, all kneeling towards the altar. The priests who joined in laying on of hands were the Archdeacons and Chaplains. The priests were ordained in the following order:—Read, Farrar, Harris. In the Diocese of Ontario, in view of the future participation in the Commutation Fund according to Canon, the order of precedence becomes of importance. We omitted to state that the Epistle was read by Rural Dean Nesbitt, and the Gospel was read by the newly ordained deacon, Mr. Stunden. The Nicene Creed was monotoned by the Bishop, who throughout the service adopted the eastward position, and continued the celebration, the Archdeacons and Chaplains being the administrators. The music of the *Sanctus* was that of Orlando Gibbons, and the *Gloria in Excelsis* was sung to Helmire's harmonies, which have always been adopted at St. Alban's, and are great favorites with the congregation.

On returning to the vestry, and after the usual prayers, the Bishop expressed himself as greatly pleased at the way in which the music had been conducted, and thanked the organist and choir for their services and attendance.

All that remains to be added is the destination of the newly ordained. Mr. Read becomes missionary of a new parish named Oxford Mills, being part of that lately under the charge of the excellent Mr. Stannage, one of whose last acts was the procuring an endowment of \$4,000 for this new mission, for which he had also purchased a fine parsonage. The other part of the old parish of Kemptville, also well endowed (with about \$1,000 per annum with parsonage), has been given by the Bishop to the Ven. Archdeacon Parnell, until recently the Clerical Secretary of the Synod.

Mr. Farrer continues as travelling missionary in the wild country north of Kingston, in Frontenac Rear. Mr. Harris remains missionary at Marmora and the remote parts adjacent. Of the deacons, Mr. Stunden is appointed to Kitley, with headquarters at Frankville; and Mr. Weatherdon to Fitzroy Harbor. Both these posts have for some time been without a clergyman. There is now only one mission vacant in the whole of the Diocese of Ontario.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received during the fortnight ending 3rd July, 1880.

DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND—April collection.—Toronto, St. John's, 6.00; St. George's, 28.85; Brooklyn, Columbus and Ashburn, 1.08; Woodbridge, 2.00; St. John's, Port Hope, 2.50.

MISSION FUND—January collection.—Woodbridge, 1.50; from pupils of St. James' Sunday School, Sutton (Georgina), 1.58.

PERMANENT MISSION FUND.—J. Maitland, quarterly payment on account of subscription, \$10.

ALGOMA FUND—Day of Intercession collection.—Lakefield, 2.00; St. John's, Port Hope, \$26.

We deeply sympathize with the Venerable Archdeacon Wilson in the bereavement he has suffered of his beloved wife, who has borne her sufferings with resignation to the Divine will.

BOBCAYGEON AND DUNSFORD.—St. John's.—On Saturday last, the 26th, the annual picnic and excursion of the Sunday Sunday was held. The steamer "Vanderbilt," which was chartered for the day, left Lindsay about 8 a.m., with great numbers. The Dunsford wharf was reached about 10 o'clock, when the Sunday School, and congregation and friends were taken on board. After a very pleasant ride of about an hour and a half through Sturgeon Lake, the beautifully situated village of Bobcaygeon was reached. Here the party was joined by the Incumbent, the Rev. H. C. Avant, and many of the congregation and Sunday School of Christ Church. Leaving Bobcaygeon, the "Vanderbilt" steamed about 8 or 10 miles through Pigeon Lake to "Oak Orchard," a favorite spot for picnics, &c., and deservedly so, for it is a lovely place, well wooded, and situated at a beautiful part of this picturesque lake. Here games of various kinds were provided. The Indian brass band from Cheemong Lake was present, and added much to the enjoyment of the pleasure-seekers. About half-past four, all started on the return journey highly delighted with

their days' excursion. The weather was all that could be desired. The proceeds of the picnic—for it was also a great financial success—will be devoted to the Sunday School Fund. Great praise is due to Mr. E. Woollard, the Superintendent; Mr. A. Thurston, the Secretary; and the teachers, for the admirable manner in which everything was managed.

BOBCAYGEON—Christ Church.—Last September a Sunday School was started at a farm-house, about 5 miles north-west of the village, where services occasionally held. This School, served by teachers from Christ Church S. S., has been very successful, so much so indeed, that the accommodation has been found to be inadequate. While grateful for the use of the farm-house, so generously granted, the congregation who were accustomed to meet there for worship, and whose children were being instructed in the Sunday School, made efforts to provide themselves with a suitable building. Their efforts have been crowned with success. M. Boyd, Esq., very generously gave the necessary lumber; Mr. James Thompson, very generously gave a piece of ground; and with these gifts, and promises of subscriptions, they felt warranted in, at least, commencing the erection of a building—thoroughly ecclesiastical in appearance, from designs kindly given by J. E. Belcher, Esq., of Peterboro—in which to hold services and Sunday School. The materials having been taken to the ground, and the work sufficiently advanced, the laying of the corner-stone took place on Tuesday, the 28th. The interesting ceremony was performed by the Incumbent, the Rev. H. C. Avant. The service consisted of the "Our Father," a few Collects (those used at the laying of the corner-stone of Truro Cathedral), a hymn, and a short address. A number of the congregation and Sunday School scholars, as well as a few from Bobcaygeon, were present. After the laying of the stone, the whole company repaired to the house of Mr. Thompson, where a sumptuous tea was partaken of. It is hoped that in a few weeks the building will be sufficiently advanced to be used. The interior, it is feared, cannot be completed for some time, for lack of funds, the congregation preferring to worship in an uncomplete building than incur a debt which may, perhaps, (in these bad times) press heavily upon them. There are many, doubtless, in the city of Toronto and elsewhere who would be glad to aid this "deserving congregation in their laudable efforts. The Incumbent would gladly receive, and acknowledge any contributions for that purpose.

TRINITY COLLEGE.—On Wednesday evening, the 28rd ult., the students of Trinity College tendered a farewell reception to Provost Whitaker. The hall and convocation chamber were prettily decorated, and old Trinity looked its best while saying adieu to its warmest friend. Shortly after eight the guests began to arrive, and were received by Mrs. Whitaker and Mr. Alexander Allen, B.A., who acted as Master of Ceremonies.

At nine o'clock the following address was read to the Provost by Mr. Allen:—

To the Rev. George Whitaker, M.A., Provost of Trinity College, Toronto:

REV. SIR,—We, the undersigned students of Trinity College, beg you to accept the assurance of our heartfelt sorrow at the early prospect of your severance from us.

Partings from those we love are ever sad, and vain are regrets at the course of Providence. But it is not all in vain for us to give our feelings utterance, for it is a relief to express, however inadequately, the sense of keen anxiety and irreparable loss which is stirred in us by your departure. We believe also that with you it will be no transient consolation to know how deeply you were beloved, revered, and honored by those who, being privileged to have the advantage of your teaching, and the example of your daily walk and conversation, were best able to appreciate the loss which befalls Trinity College by your passing into a distant sphere of duty.

Although that sphere will be less arduous; unweary too, we trust, by storms; still clouds darken every sky, and your spirit will turn from their shadows to the West for joy and peace, in the consciousness that from thousands of Canadian homes, from altar, bench, and bar, from laboratory and mart, from wherever high scholarship, calm piety, firm fidelity to principles, and stern devotion to vows and duty are held in honorable reverence, there are rising the thanks and prayers of memorial gratitude, which will ever keep bright the renown and grace of your career at Trinity College.

We need not say, "Let your remembrance apply to us." We deem it as assured as the past that we shall live in your thoughts while "memory holds its seat," and affection prompts communion at the Eucharistic Feast.

In bidding you in time, farewell, we rejoice and are proud that "that which should accompany old age as honor, love, obedience, troops of friends," are so rich-

ly your heritage from this College and from the Church of Canada.

For those who, in the sanctity of your home, are the joy and crown of your rejoicing we shall ever entertain the kindest remembrances for courtesies and hospitalities most welcome in college life.

Commending you to His most gracious keeping, in whose steps as teacher and shepherd you have so diligently, so faithfully, so lovingly walked,

We have the honor to remain, on behalf of the College, gratefully yours, Alexander Allen, B.A., Wm. M. Cruttenden, R. N. Jones, A. Lampman.

The Provost replied as follows:—

I most heartily thank you, and the other students on whose behalf you have signed, for the warm-hearted and affectionate address with which you have presented me.

I cannot, indeed, regard any services which I have been permitted to render to this College as being, by any means, entitled to the strong terms of commendation in which your kindly feeling toward me has led you to speak of them.

One powerful reason which prompted me to accept the offer of an appointment at home was the conviction that I could not hope to continue, for any long time, equal to the duties which here devolve upon me. I have not been able for some time past to take my share, as I used to do, and should still wish to do, in the routine of college duty; and I trust that, by my resignation of my office, I may be making way for a successor not less willing to work than I was in years past, and far more capable of working to good effect.

I have especially regretted that in consequence of my absence in England during the last Michaelmas Term, and the apparent necessity of giving more lectures than usual to the Divinity Class, I have this year been prevented from lecturing the Arts Classes, the result being that I have had no opportunity of holding any regular communication with the students of the first year. On no other occasion during my whole term of office has any portion of your body been so imperfectly known to me, and I very greatly regret that such has been the case.

I beg gratefully to acknowledge, gentlemen, the very kind terms in which you refer the members of my family, and to attentions which you have received at my house. Here, again, I must confess on their behalf, and on my own, that we have been defaulters during the past year; and that we have been prevented, first by my absence from home, and subsequently by illness in the house, from showing you the attention which we should have desired.

It will, indeed, be a most grateful recollection to us in the future, that we have left behind us so many warm friends, both old and young, in this country; and I trust that we may truly say that we shall not forget those who have sought our remembrance and our prayers.

One of my highest satisfactions will be, from time to time, to hear good tidings of you individually, and, above all, to hear that Trinity College is being prospered and advanced, by the blessing of God upon a household administered in His faith and fear, and at unity in itself.

The Chancellor read a telegram from the Bishop apologising for not being present, and wishing the Provost every good wish.

The Chancellor, Rev. J. Langtry and others made remarks of a complimentary nature, and also expressing regret at losing the Provost.

Instrumental and vocal music were given in good style.

During the reception refreshments were served, and about 10 o'clock the party broke up, having spent a pleasant evening.

The Provost will leave for England after the Provincial Synod closes.

PORT PERRY—Church of the Ascension.—The last week has been one of much interest to this small parish, and is likely to be long remembered for good. On Sunday, the 20th of June, four adults were baptized at morning prayer, after the second lesson, the Incumbent preaching from the text, "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us. On the following Thursday, the Festival of St. John the Baptist, the Lord Bishop held his Confirmation, when thirteen were confirmed, six of whom were over twenty years of age. Though the time of the service (11 a.m.) was inconvenient to a busy population on a working-day, a good congregation had assembled, who showed a serious interest in the sacred rite. At the conclusion several Church people were introduced to his Lordship, who received them in his usual affable and cheerful manner.

Very earnest efforts were made to complete various improvements in the church and grounds which were in progress against the Bishop's Visit, as the best welcome that could be thought of. The whole interior was freshly colored in good taste, and all the contents