

HALIFAX.—The Lord Bishop has returned to town, and preached in his chapel last Sunday. His Lordship is expected to consecrate the new church at Pugwash about the end of this month, when it is expected that there will be a large gathering of the clergy of the Amherst Deanery.

The new Rector of St. Paul's is proving himself to be an active worker, and old St. Paul's is rapidly filling up. The Bible Classes are well attended. The Rector is endeavoring to reach the poorest members of the parish by introducing in the parish a captain of the Church Army, whose special province it will be to work among the poor and neglected. Another captain will come out to work in St. George's parish under the Rector, who sorely needs all the help possible in his large parish. It remains to be seen how this latest and novel addition to the Church's agency will work in Canada. It is an exact copy of the Salvation Army and its methods, with this important difference, that Confirmation and Holy Communion are the goals to which all the teaching directs.

St. Luke's Church has been keeping its dedication festival this year with more than ordinary devotion, and the services have been well attended. Minor Canon Murray may well feel blessed of God at the many marks of progress, and take courage for the future.

St. Mark's expects its Rector back in a short time, and then the *locum tenens*, the Rev. C. E. McKenzie, is to take charge of the important parish of Alberton, Prince Edward Island. The reverend gentleman has gained many friends in Halifax.

DIocese OF FREDERICTON.

PETITODIAO.—The Church here was very handsomely decorated on the 17th instant for the special Harvest Thanksgiving service, with sheaves of wheat and pyramids of fruit and vegetables. The altar looked very beautiful; on the Re-table were vases of choice cut flowers; and banners and bannerets adorned the walls of the Sanctuary. The pulpit was decorated with ferns, Autumn leaves and grapes. In the evening the Rev. Mr. Taylor preached an able and appropriate sermon from Psalm lxx. 11: "Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness, and Thy clouds drop fatness."

DERBY.—This Mission received a visit from the Coadjutor-Bishop on Tuesday, 5th instant. His Lordship came through from Fredericton the day before by N. and W. R.R. as far as Derby, where he remained over night. On Tuesday morning, accompanied by Rev. A. F. Hiltz, Rector of the parish, he took the N. and W. train for Blackville at Upper Nelson, where he was joined by Rev. D. Forsyth, of Chatham, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet, of Newcastle, and Rev. W. J. Wilkinson, of Baie du Vin. The day was perfectly charming, and communicated its cheerfulness to the whole company, who, after an agreeable ride of an hour, found themselves at Blackville station, about three miles from the church. Here they were met by B. N. T. Underhill, Esq., who had kindly provided teams to convey them to the church. A large congregation soon assembled to hear the words of counsel and instruction which his Lordship knows so well how to give; and eighteen were presented for "the laying on of hands," many of whom had come from five to eight miles, and one, an aged woman of seventy-two, had come twelve miles to receive this holy rite. After service the Bishop and Clergy proceeded to Mrs. Underhill's, Sr., where dinner had been prepared for them. This aged person is well known here for her hospitality to the Clergy, and like a true mother in Israel has provided for their wants for many years. On the present occasion, she did ample justice to

her reputation; but the party could hardly be said to have done justice to her hospitality. For the hour warned them that the train by which they were to return to Derby might be expected at any moment. Accordingly without tarrying long over the hospitable board, of their aged friend, they soon found themselves, by the kindness of Mr. Underhill, once more at the station. The train was behind time, however, and a tedious delay of half an hour had to be endured with many regrets for their too hasty meal. But once on board the train, and Derby was soon reached, where Confirmation was to be administered in the evening. Here the Church was filled to excess, and a class of thirteen was presented to the Bishop. This is the largest class presented in this Church for Confirmation by the present incumbent, and shows that substantial progress is being made in building up the walls of Zion in this parish. It may not be out of place, in the present connection, to mention that great improvements have been made in the Derby Church during the past season, and the sum of \$700 has been expended upon it. An entirely new foundation of solid stone masonry, for five feet beneath it. In the interior, the walls have been repaired and painted, and sheathed as high as the windows. The chancel has been enriched by a handsome reredos, and a very fine east window erected to the memory of the late Rev. Jas. Hudson. The window is the work of Spence & Sons, of Montreal. It is a tripple window with, three diamond-like panes of glass at the top formed by the intersections of the dividing mullions. Three panes contain respectively, the sacred monogram, an *agnus dei* and a pelican finding its young.

DIocese OF MONTREAL.

DUNHAM.—A delightful Harvest Home Festival was held in this parish on the 13th inst. The thanksgiving service in All Saint's Church was conducted by the Rector (Rev. J. Ker), assisted by the Revs. J. Constantine, M.A., Canon Davidson, M.A., and H. W. Nye, M.A., Rural Dean. The sermon was preached by the Rev. G. Forsey, of Cowansville. The Church decorations were chaste and beautiful, the sermon able and appropriate, the singing hearty, and the congregation large and devout. Of the material feast that followed, it is only necessary to say that it was worthy of the good ladies of Dunham. This made the *fifth* Harvest Home Festival in the Deanery of Bedford this year.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE, LENNOXVILLE.

We have this year a good entry, both of students and boys. Nine new students, all candidates for Holy Orders, and twenty-three new boys.

Branches of the Church of England Temperance Society have been formed in the College and in the School, under the presidency of the Principal (Rev. Dr. Adams), who has formerly joined the Abstaining Section of the Society.

Several Missions are being regularly worked by the students, under the direction of the College authorities. A new one at Megantic presents promising features.

An offertory of \$7.69 was taken on Oct. 3rd for Algoma; and, as a first instalment towards the fund asked for by the Bishop of Quebec to extend Mission work in the Eastern Townships, \$8.59 was contributed at the end of September.

The College and School turned out in force, the choir in their surplices, to help the Rector of Lennoxville (Rev. Prof. Scarth, M.A.) in his Harvest Thanksgiving. The church was decorated with great taste. The sermon was preached by the Rev. George Thorneloe, M.A., Rector of Sherbrooke. It was a thoroughly

earnest, thoughtful and suggestive discourse.

As regards the Bishop Williams' Wing, we have reached the stage of tenders. We want more promises paid and also more promises made. Amongst the recent contributions is \$50 from Professor Adams, Cambridge, and \$50 collected by Miss Adams from some of the Principal's old York friends.

We had a pleasant visit from the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario on Oct. 1st, and again at our Evensong on Oct. 3rd.

We are hoping to have a large gathering of the Rural Deanery of St. Francis at the College on Oct. 28th (St. Simon and St. Jude).

DIocese OF ONTARIO.

KINGSTON.—On Saturday, the 16th, the Lord Bishop of Niagara arrived to hold Confirmations through the Diocese of Ontario, which duty he has kindly undertaken to enable the Bishop of Ontario to visit England on account of ill health. There are about thirty Confirmations which will occupy nearly a month. On Sunday, the 17th, the Bishop commenced with St. George's Cathedral in the morning. Here he confirmed thirty-two candidates, and was attended by Revs. B. B. Smith, A. W. Cook, and A. Spencer. At 3.30 p.m., the Bishop visited St. John's, Portsmouth, where seven persons received the rite. In the evening the rite was administered to twenty-six candidates in St. Paul's. The clergy present were: Rev. Rural Dean Carey, and Revs. R. S. Forneri, A. Spencer and R. T. Burns. On each occasion his Lordship addressed the candidates in an earnest manner. On Monday, the 18th inst., the Bishop, accompanied by Rev. Rural Dean Carey, left for Plevna, Ompan, Parham and Bedford, where Confirmations are now being held.

DIocese OF TORONTO.

PERRYTOWN.—The proceeds of the social referred to in the *GUARDIAN* of the 20th instant amounted to \$128, instead of \$107.

PETERBOROUGH.—On the 18th instant a special sermon in connection with the special days set apart for intercession for Sunday-schools was held in St. Luke's Church, at which the Rev. Mr. Bradshaw delivered an address to the Sunday-school teachers and others present.

TORONTO.—*St. Matthias'.*—The parish has localized *The Dawn of Day* by the addition to it of five or six well-filled pages of the same size containing parish notes and announcements. In its October issue it has the following kindly notices of the *GUARDIAN*:—

"We are very glad also to find that the proprietors of the *CHURCH GUARDIAN* are pushing the circulation of their paper in Toronto. It is an interesting paper, and with a good *Christian tone* about it, and only costs one dollar a year. On the whole, it is the best Canadian Church Paper we have seen, and ought to be encouraged. Anyone desirous to become a subscriber can communicate with the Toronto Agent, Mr. Jeffery Foot, 115 St. Patrick street."

Amongst "Parish Notes" we find an announcement that two of the Cowley Fathers, Revs. Osborne and Field, are to hold a Mission in the parish during the Epiphany or Lent coming, and already steps are being taken to prepare the way.

The very beautiful *Chalice and Paten* (costing over \$100) which are to be placed in St. Matthias', as a memorial of the late Rev. W. Stewart Darling, has just been received through Mr. Plummer, who has lately returned from England. These, after being suitably engraved, will be dedicated on All Saints' Day.

The Annual Harvest Festival took place on the 17th inst.

St. Luke's.—The Rev. C. E. Whitcombe has severed his connection with this parish.