

We have yet another gift of the Willing Workers to record. On Easter Even, they assembled in full force to present to the Curate, the Rev. A. W. M. Harley, who has given them much kind encouragement, a beautiful red satin stole which they had imported from England for the purpose. The very evident pleasure with which the children presented this gift must have made it especially acceptable to the receiver, and the donors in their turn were quite satisfied that he was pleased with their remembrance.

As this communication is intended to be nothing more than a chronicle of presentations that have been made in the Parish this Easter, we will only add that on Easter Monday the Rector and Parishioners had great pleasure in sending to our Organist, Miss Collins, by the hands of the Church Wardens, a purse containing one hundred dollars in gold. Miss Collins has for nearly ten years given time, skill, and patience, unweariedly, and cheerfully, to the work. And her labor of love has been fully appreciated although our gift is but an inadequate expression of our gratitude.

#### DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

**BATHURST.**—During Lent daily Matins and Evensong have been said, according to the Church's direction, in St. George's Church, and many have appreciated the opportunity of daily worship. Besides the customary observance of Holy Week, the Three Hours service was preached by the Rector to a full Church. The services of the Festival began with Evensong on Easter eve, after which the new surpliced choir were admitted by a special service. Master Godfrey Ellis was also admitted server. On Easter Day there were two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist at 8 and 11 o'clock. Matins at 10 a.m., and Evensong at 6.30. The celebration at 11 was choral, as also was Evensong,—the music at the former being Gilbert in G, and at the latter Tallis, with the Ely Confession. The anthem was White's, "Ye choirs of New Jerusalem." The solo was taken by Mr. J. F. McLaughlan, and at the celebration Master Hedley Bateman sang the Agnus Dei very sweetly. The choir comprises sixteen voices, and gives great promise. The ladies who formerly were in the chancel, now occupy the front seats of the nave, and supplement the choristers. The largest congregation seen on record, thronged the Church as the choir and priest, headed by cross bearer, entered from the west door, singing "Onward Christian Soldiers."

The number of communicants at both celebrations was 68, against 35 at Christmas, a considerable number being new recipients. The altar has been beautified by some new embroideries, and had eight vases of choice hot-house flowers given by kind friends. Painted panels have also been placed in the reredos, and a new prayer desk and stall given, from Lenten self-denials on the part of the people.

A large and harmonious Easter meeting was held in the School-room after Matins on Monday, at which T. Swayne deBrisay and Richard Hinton were appointed wardens, and Edward Carter, vestry clerk.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. N. H. Street for his handsome gift of a new altar, and the following resolution: Resolved—That this meeting desires to place on record its appreciation of the action and valuable work, both spiritual and otherwise, which has been done in this parish by our present Rector, since his coming thereto, and to bear testimony to the life, activity and reverence which have characterized the Church, and her services during his already short incumbency; and it is the prayer and desire of this meeting that he may be long spared to minister to us in spiritual matters."

**FREDERICTON.**—Large congregations were

present at all the Easter services in the city churches. Special services were held in the Cathedral and other churches. As usual on Easter Day, the Cathedral was the scene of large gatherings at all the services, including people of all denominations. The church was beautifully decked with lilies and flowers of various kinds. The choir sang a number of special anthems. Mozart's Gloria and the anthem, "I know that my Redeemer liveth."—The solo was admirably taken by Mrs. John Black. Bishop Kingdon preached in the morning and the Most Rev. the Metropolitan in the evening.

Instead of Sunday-school a very hearty and well attended service was held on Easter Sunday afternoon at the mills by Bishop Kingdon. A number were unable to gain admission, but stood at the door and listened attentively to a simple yet most impressive extempore address from His Lordship on the Death and Resurrection of Christ.

#### DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

**MISSION OF ARTHUR AND ALMA.**—The Festival of Easter ushered in by beautiful summer weather was duly observed in Grace Church, Arthur. The cosy little church at all times pretty looked its very best. The services for the day opened with a celebration of the Holy Communion, at which the choir under the leadership of Mr. W. E. A. Lewis rendered their part of the service nicely. The sanctuary looked lovely, the altar being vested in a very rich white frontal faced with plush ornamented with plush stoles edged with gold braid. The super-frontal made of plush six inches deep lined with yellow and gold fringe showed to advantage. The face of the altar frontal bore three designs beautifully cut out by Mr. Thomas Wood of Mount Forest. In the centre "The medal of the Church of England Temperance Society," and on the two sides, triangle and trefoil. The reredos was well provided with beautiful pots of flowers kindly lent by Mrs. Bowman and other ladies: The frontal was presented by the choir and a few friends as an Easter offering. Miss Dreaper, Miss Green, Mrs. Wallace White, Mrs. Dreaper, Miss Hynds, and other ladies having assisted in its making. Mrs. D. Robinson, Miss Ebbs, and Miss Green gave the hangings for lectern, prayer-desk and pulpit. The Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe, the Rev. P. T. Mignot, presented a permanent screen and vases. The services were well attended morning and evening in Grace Church.

#### DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

**EASTER VESTRY MEETINGS IN QUEBEC.**—*English Cathedral.*—The annual Vestry meeting of the congregation was held in the National School Hall at 3 p.m., Easter Monday. The usual business of reading reports and passing votes of thanks followed, after which the Rector informed the meeting that he re-nominated Mr. Edwin Jones as his Churchwarden. Mr. J. E. Hale was re-elected Churchwarden on behalf of the congregation. The meeting then proceeded to the election of twelve members for the Select Vestry, with the following result:—Messrs. T. Beckett, J. Dunbar, R. R. Dobell, H. M. Price, F. Holloway, W. C. Scott, R. H. Smith, R. Turner, J. Patton, jr., W. G. Wurtele. Dr. Parke, J. J. Foote. The following gentlemen were elected delegates to the Diocesan Synod for the ensuing three years, Messrs. W. G. Wurtele, J. Dunbar and R. H. Smith.

*St. Matthew's.*—The Vestry meeting of this Church was held on Monday evening. Mr. John Hamilton was appointed Rector's Warden and Mr. Edwin Pope elected People's Warden. Hon. Geo. Irvine delegate to the Synod. Rev. Dr. Allnatt announced his resignation in order to accept a professorship of Divinity at Bishop's

College, Lennoxville, to which he had been appointed. After expressions of regret by individual members of the congregation, the following resolution was unanimously passed:—"That it is with profound regret that the Vestry of St. Matthew's Church have heard the Rev. Dr. F. J. B. Allnatt has resigned the rectorship of the parish. Though he has been but two years their Rector, his sympathising, earnest, hearty manner, has won the affection of the whole congregation, and we take this opportunity of stating how much we, as a congregation feel indebted to him for the manner in which he has taken hold of all the various details of the parish work, and continued them all as they had been under his predecessor, the present Bishop of Niagara.

Whilst regretting the loss they will themselves sustain, they know he is acting for the good of the Church at large, and in no way for his own advancement. They, therefore, heartily wish him Godspeed, and pray that the Almighty's blessing may be on him and his, wherever he may be working in his Master's cause."

*St. Paul's.*—At a Vestry meeting in this church on Monday evening last, E. H. Taylor, Esq., was nominated Rector's Warden, and Oliver Kennedy, Esq., People's Warden for the ensuing year. Geo. Robinson, Esq., was elected delegate to the Synod for the next three years.

*St. Peter's.*—The Vestry meeting of this Church was held on Monday evening, Rev. Mr. Fothergill, Rector, presiding. Mr. E. T. D. Chambers was re-appointed Rector's Warden and Mr. Ruthman elected People's Warden. Messrs. W. Elliott, A. Hokes, Borland, Phillips, Scott and Baile were elected Sidesmen, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Andrews, delegate to the Synod.

*Levis.*—*Holy Trinity.*—The annual Vestry meeting was held on Easter Monday evening, the Rev. M. G. Thompson, presiding. Mr. T. A. Poston was re-appointed Rector's Warden, and Mr. S. T. Brown was re-elected People's Warden. Mr. J. H. Simmons was elected delegate to the Synod.

The Rev. Mr. Barcham, Rector of Trinity Church, who has been indisposed for some weeks past, is still unable to leave his room. The reverend gentleman is, however, on the high way to recovery.

The printed copies of the annual report of the Church Society of Quebec for 1886 were distributed last week.

All the Easter services at the Anglican Churches in this city were largely attended, and the number of communicants was very gratifying. There were special musical services in the Cathedral, in St. Matthew's, St. Peter's and Trinity churches, and the floral decorations in St. Matthew's and St. Peter's were very handsome.

The Rev. M. M. Fothergill, Rector at St. Peter's Church, St. Roch's, has been the recipient, from the members of his congregation, of an Easter offering in the shape of a purse considerably over \$100, making together with the ordinary Easter offertory for the clergyman in charge of the church, upwards of \$140. The reverend gentleman has left town on a well-earned holiday of a couple of weeks, and has gone to New York, where he is to be the guest of the Rev. Dr. Morgan, Rector of the Church of the Heavenly Rest.

**EASTER SERVICES.**—The Easter services in the various city churches were well attended and the number of communicants was exceptionally large. All the churches, with the exception of Trinity, were suitably decorated for the occasion.

*St. Matthew's.*—The beautiful and joyous Easter service at St. Matthew's were attended by very large congregations. The Holy