efficiency of the Church and for the assistance of the parochial clergy, but the need is that every Church family and every Church member of every family should be made aware of and practically recognize the duty of aiding the Missions of the Church according to our Lord's command, "Freely ye have received, freely give." And lastly your committee would suggest that the hearty thanks of all are due to Him, the Giver of all good, who has raised up willing hearts for the furtherance of those high objects which relate to the coming of our Master's Kingdom.

JUBILEE, ST. JAMES CHURCH, ST. JOHNS.—The fiftieth anniversary of the opening of this Church, was celebrated on Friday, Jan. 18th. There was morning prayer with Holy Communion at 11 a. m., with a most appropriate sermon from the Lord Bishop of Quebec, from Hab. ii. 20. The offertory amounted to \$13.37. The service was well attended, and the worship of an animated character. A hymn composed for the occasion was sung by the choir. The clergy present were:—Rev. G. Dodwell, Rector of Chambly; Rev. G. Slack, R. D. of Bedford; Rev. T. Godden, Rector of Dunham; Rev. R. Lindsay, of Knowlton; Rev. J. Evans, of Christieville; Rev. J. Abbot, of Stukely; and the Rector, Rev. H. F. Darnell.

After lunching at the Rectory, the clergy again repaired to the church, where, in the absence of the Rev. Canon Townsend, a letter was read, written by that gentleman, January 23rd, 1861, and furnishing the particulars of the opening of the church at which he had been present, assisted by the Clarenceville choir, then of some note in the neighborhood. Interesting remarks were also offered by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop, the Rector, Revds. G. Slack and R. Lindsay, and Charles Lindsay, Esq., with reference to the progress of the Church in this locality, and the obligations consequent on such an uninterrupted enjoyment of the means of grace. We note the following particulars: the church which is of brick and still in good preservation, was commenced A. D., 1816, and opened for Divine Service Jan. 19, 1817, being at that time the only church in the town. It remained unconsecrated till some years after, when that solemn rite was performed by the Right Revd. Dr. Stewart, second Bishop of Quebec. It was subsequently enlarged at some cost, and now seats about 500 persons. Since its erection five Rectors have been in charge :-The Rev. W. D. Baldwyn, and W. Dawes, deceased; Rev. Canon Bancroft, now Incumbent of Trinity Curch, Montreal; the Rev. J. Irwin, removed to the upper province; and the Rev. H. F. Darnell, now in the sixth year of his ministry in this place.

This commemoration could not but be of solemn interest to many of the old residents of this place; and if on the one hand it revive painful associations connected with those gone from us, it should on the other remind us of the privileges we have so long enjoyed, and stimulate us to a more

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St. Williams.—On Sunday 30th Dec. the Church of St. Williams wa opened for Divine Service. The sermon was preached on the occasion by the Rev. Mr. Wood, who has been appointed to the charge by the Bishop. The text chosen was the 17th verse of the 6th chapter Ezra, and was very ably handled by the preacher, and was attentive