HISTORICAL SKETCH. THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN QUEBEC

1759-1793.

In June, 1759, the first Anglican clergymen sailed up the St. Lawrence, Chaplains to the forces under General Amherst. The first services in the vicinity of Quebec began three months before the battle of the Plains and were held on board the Men of War, on the Island of Orleans and at Point Levis. The services thus commenced have continued without interruption ever since.

The Rev. Dr. Brooke arrived immediately after the conquest and in an early issue of the Quebec Gazette informs us that he had regular services in the church in the summer of 1760, before the capitulation of Montreal. In August, 1761, the Protestants of Quebec petitioned the S. P. G. to appoint Rev. John Brooke to be Missionary at Quebec. He had, the memorial states, been personally known to many of them from the arrival of the fleet and army from Britain in 1757, and to all of them by their attendance upon his ministry for more than a year past. Worship at this time was held in the old Recollet Church and was limited to one hour's duration every Sunday morning. The Recollet Church occupied part of the ground