

30. In the morning the Consecration service took place. This consisted, firstly, in the reading of a petition by the Incumbent, accompanied by the two Wardens (Mr. A. W. Bagnall and Mr. A. Allen) requesting His Grace to consecrate the building. The Archbishop, having acceded to this request, all the parties mentioned walked in procession through the church repeating alternately with His Grace the verses of the 24th Psalm. This ceremony having been performed the deed of consecration was read by the Incumbent, when prayer was offered by the Archbishop for the blessing of God on the various offices hereafter to be used in the church. Morning prayers were then read by the Incumbent. The service was concluded by the reading of the ante-communion office and the preaching of an appropriate sermon by the Archbishop.

The Confirmation Service was held in the afternoon. The following are the names of the candidates:—Firmstone Heath, Hugh Laughlin, Joseph Turner, Frederick Ireland, William McKelvie, Mary Ann McKelvie, Helen Stuart, Madeline Stuart, Elizabeth J. Turner, Mrs. George Cluff, Catherine Caldecott.

The Litany and Lesson having been read by the Incumbent, the Archbishop gave a short address to the candidates, after which he put to them the all-important question in regard to the renewal of the baptismal vows. Then followed the apostolic rite of the Laying On of Hands, after which the hymn, "Jesus, I Have Promised," was sung, and the rest of the service was read by the Archbishop. His Grace then gave a second address to the candidates and afterwards dismissed the congregation with his blessing.

The collections at both morning and afternoon services, amounting respectively to \$5.40 and \$4.60 (total \$10) will serve as the nucleus of a fund for the improvement of the church.

A large congregation assembled in the evening, when the Archbishop spoke for the third time. Every one was pleased with the earnest, simple and kindly way in which His Grace talked. We are glad to note that the musical portion of the services was well rendered and much enjoyed. Our thanks are due to those kind friends who so kindly helped us in this respect.

It is most gratifying to think that we have now a beautiful and substantial stone church, well furnished, free of debt and duly set apart from all profane and common uses, and consecrated exclusively for the services of Almighty God. Let us show our thanks for these mercies by a regular attendance at the courts of His house, and a constant participation of His holy Sacrament, which is after all the highest act of Christian thanksgiving. Now that Cartwright has been so well supplied with the requirements for public worship, we trust that the time is not far distant when the neighboring town of Holmfeld will also be in possession of a building designed specially for the worship of God. What has been done can certainly be done again. Our part of the mission will not be favored more than another. We are only waiting until the congregation at the

Holmfeld point is sufficiently strong to warrant the commencement of such an undertaking. In the meantime let all who are in favor of such a project turn out regularly to the services. If this is done it will not be long before another church is built.

By the time that these words reach the eyes of our readers it is probable that Rev. J. A. Richardson will have paid us a visit on behalf of the Home Mission Fund.

SWAN LAKE MISSION.

The Harvest Festivals at Altamont and Somerset were as successful as those held at other Parishes in this Mission.

At Altamont the schoolhouse was appropriately decorated, and a small choir had been organized by Mr. and Mrs. Brownlow. Under their leadership the canticles were chanted at this service for the first time for some years, and the hymns sung more brightly as a result of practice. The offertory and pledges for the Home Mission Fund amounted to \$12.70.

At Somerset the service was very bright and the church looked very pretty. The offertory and pledges amounted to \$15.25. This brings the total for the Mission up to \$53—\$3 more than the assessment. There are still some from whom we hope to receive something towards the fund.

The new carpet for the chancel of Somerset church and the matting for the aisle are now in their places, and a wonderful improvement they make to the appearance of the church. The ladies are now speaking of falls for the pulpit and prayer desk, and a new altar cloth. The Guild has also erected a porch at the front door of the parsonage out of the proceeds of their Fair Day undertaking. This will no doubt be a great comfort during the coming winter. The Swan Lake Guild has also voted \$5 to be expended on some much-needed improvements in the parsonage.

On Friday evening 21st ult., the Ladies' Guild of Swan Lake held a sale of work and gave a tea and entertainment in the schoolhouse. In spite of unfavorable weather there was a very good attendance, the schoolhouse being filled to its utmost capacity. The whole undertaking was the most successful and reflects great credit upon the zeal of the ladies of this parish. The proceeds amounted to about \$30. This will be expended, in part, on a porch for the church, part was disposed of as already mentioned. Bad weather and roads have seriously interfered with the church's work this month.

Correspondence.

DEAR MR. EDITOR.—I have been very much interested, both in your recent editorial on "The Training and Reading of Our Clergy" and in the interesting letter on the same subject from Mr. Baker in your issue for November. These called to my mind some valuable thoughts contained