

Diocese of Toronto.

ORILLIA.

The winter's work in connection with St. James' Church here has been resumed with earnestness; commencing last Sunday there will be a Bible class at 3.30 p.m.; on every Wednesday, evening service at 7.30. The "Woman's Auxiliary" meets every Thursday at 3 p.m. in the school house; the "Mission Workers" at 4 p.m. on the same day; the "Band of Hope" at 4 p.m. on Friday and the "Saturday Sunbeams" sewing class in the infant class room at 2 p.m., every Saturday.

On the 18th October the annual public meeting of the Church of England Temperance Society will be held in St. James' school room.

The infant class of St. James' S. S. has contributed \$5.00 for the "Sick Children's Hospital."

CROWN HILL.

A thanksgiving service for the harvest was held here on Friday evening 23rd Sept. The Rev. J. F. White, of Shanty Bay, conducted the service and the Rev. J. M. Jones preached a sermon suitable to the occasion. The service being over, a meeting of the congregation was held to discuss the desirability of the immediate appointment of a clergyman to the mission of Craighurst and Crown Hill. Rural-Dean Jones was in the chair, and was requested to communicate with the Bishop on the subject.—*Orillia Packet.*

ORO.

On Thursday, 22nd Sept., thanksgiving service for the harvest was held in St. Mark's, East Oro. The Church had been very neatly decorated by some of the ladies of the congregation. The service was read by the Incumbent, the Rev. J. F. White, and an instructive sermon was preached by the Rev. J. M. Jones, of Medome. The attendance was fairly good. In the evening a magic lantern entertainment was given in the old Church and the views of the English, Irish, Scotch and Welsh cathedrals were much admired. About \$22.00 were realized from the entertainment.

Diocese of Algoma.

Bp, the desire of the Bishop of Algoma the Rev. E. T. Wilson will remain in charge of the Shingwauk and Wawanosh Homes until April 1st, 1893.

DIocese of NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C.

VANCOUVER.

TRINITY COLLEGE.—After over four years suspension the Bishop has decided to revive the work of a Boys' School, and premises have been secured in Vancouver for the purpose. Mr. Charles Hill-Tuot, who formerly had charge of St. James' School, before its amalgamation with Whetham College, and who has now disassociated himself from the latter institution, has been selected Head Master, and he will be assisted by several of the Clergy of Vancouver and New Westminster. Good accommodation for boarders will be provided. The College will be strictly a Diocesan Institution, i.e. it will not be run as a speculation, but such fees only will be charged as will provide fair remuneration for the Principal, and cover running expenses. The services of the Clergy will of course be gratuitous. The expenses for boarders will be \$250.00 per annum.

ST. JAMES'.—The Rev. J. B. Beck has been appointed Curate of this parish.

ASHCROFT AND NICOLA.

The Rev. A. R. Macduff has returned to the Diocese, and has been appointed S.P.G. Missionary in the above district.

CHURCH ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME.

A resolution of last Synod appointed a Committee to take steps for the establishment of a Church Orphanage, and before long such a necessary and beneficial Institution will, it is hoped, be ready to open its doors. Though under Church management, it is intended to be general in its scope, and will receive children from all parts of the Province, and of all religious denominations.

THE CHURCH IN B.C.

Coming then to our own Province, we find the proportion of Church people (which is only 13.41 per cent. for the whole of the Dominion) to be a little over 24 per cent., for out of a total population of 97,613, no less than 23,600 are returned as Church people, and this places *The Church at the head of the list* in regard to numbers in British Columbia (as it also is in the territories), a predominance which she possesses in no other province in the Dominion; the numbers being as follows:—

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Church of England.....	23,600
Roman Catholics.....	20,307
Presbyterians.....	15,281
Methodists.....	14,298

The increase of population in British Columbia in ten years is 48,152 out of whom 15,203 are credited to the Church, or 31 per cent. This is sufficiently striking, but even more so is the circumstance that the whole increase of Church people in the Dominion in ten years is 66,692, of whom nearly 23 per cent. are found in British Columbia.

The legitimate conclusion of this is that British Columbia offers attractions to English Church people above what are to be found in the older Provinces, and this conclusion is one with which we have every right to be gratified.—*The Churchman's Gazette, New Westminster.*

DIocese of COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA.

THE NEW CATHEDRAL.—The plans of Messrs. Evers and Keith of Victoria, have been accepted for Christ Church Cathedral. The building will be erected in three sections. The chancel and transepts, the nave, the western tower and porches. The total length will be 236 feet, and width across the transepts 124 feet. Height of tower 270 feet. Height from floor to ceiling 72 feet. Seating capacity 1500. Tenders have been asked for, and the erection of the chancel and transepts will be proceeded with shortly.

A confirmation was held at St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill, on the 18th, which was of special interest from the fact that it was the Lord Bishop's last administration of the rite prior to his departure from the scene of his labours for the past 33 years. After the confirmation the Bishop consecrated the cemetery by the side of the church.

PERSONAL.—Rev. J. B. Good, Rector for several years of St. Paul's Church, Nanaimo,

B. C., has been appointed an Honorary Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria.

Canon Good is the senior clergyman in the Diocese, and the Canonry is in recognition of work, especially among the Indians.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of THE CHURCH GUARDIAN.

SIR,—As you will no doubt give a full Report of the Provincial Synod now sitting in Montreal, I beg you to allow me to contradict a statement made to-day by one of the speakers regarding the Church of Ireland. That the action of a sister Church in so small an Island, smaller than some Canadian Dioceses, should appear to Canadians a small moment is natural. But it is inexcusable that a Church more ancient than any part of the Anglican communion should be maligned amid the applause of the representatives of the [comparatively] infant Church of Canada. The speaker alluded to, deprecatingly affirmed that the Church of Ireland in revising the Prayer Book had "set aside the Athanasian Creed." Permit me to assure this gentleman and his applauders that this is a gross libel. The Church of Ireland not only retains the Athanasian Creed [or hymn] in her Prayer Book, but in her 8th article, declares, in the same words as the Church of England, that the 3 Creeds [naming them severally] are "thoroughly to be received and believed, for they may be proved by most certain warrants of Holy Scripture." True, the Church of Ireland does not use the Athanasian Creed in her public service. But this is not a setting aside of the Creed as such. She does not use, or rather she permits the omission of the Lord's Prayer after the Apostle's Creed, when the Litany is used; and of the Prayer for the Queen after the Commandments when Her Majesty has already been prayed for in the same service. But she cannot therefore be said to have "set aside" these prayers. I trust I have sufficiently shewn that the Church of Ireland has not departed in this matter from her ancient faith, a faith which she held before the existence of the Church of England, from whom in the twelfth century by force of arms and under the ages of the then Pope of Rome she received her severest and most lasting injuries. Thank God the two ancient Churches are still in full Communion, and signs are not wanting that if ever disestablishment and disendowment fall on the Church of England, she will look to the Church of Ireland as a model for her new constitution, as of old she looked to her for her Teachers of Christian truth.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,

FRED. FOSTER, M.A.

(Incumbent in the Diocese of Ardsfert, Ireland.)
Montreal, Sept. 17th 1892.

To the Editor of THE CHURCH GUARDIAN.

DEAR SIR,—I should like to appeal through your columns for funds to build a Church on the shore of the lake of Bays, Muskoka. There are 363 miles of coast round the lake, populated by a number of Church people, but who hitherto have had no Church in which to worship. An effort is now being made to build a Church half the way up to lake on two acres of land deeded to the Bishop, [Algoma] but we are reluctant to start without a sufficient amount of money in hand. Only \$100 are required and I wish to appeal to friends of the Church outside Muskoka, as Muskoka is a comparatively new settlement and the people are not as yet in a very prosperous condition.

I shall be glad to receive any amount [however small] towards the \$100 required, so that we may as soon as possible supply this sorely needed want.

Yours truly,

F. W. SHEPHERD.

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