

Church, about five miles distant, where the rite of Confirmation was administered to 17 more candidates. At this church his Lordship administered the rite of Baptism to an infant. This was the first fruit of the Rector's endeavors to revive the custom of public baptism in the church; at that place, for years back, the children having been baptized in houses, and the font in the church used only for a hat-rack.

During the Confirmation service his Lordship preached from Ps. xci. 1, and gave, as in the morning, a special address to the newly confirmed. After service was over, his Lordship returned to Fredericton, having in the one day driven 56 miles and confirmed 42 persons, besides holding a baptismal service.

Work in this parish is progressing rapidly. Another Confirmation will be held in the spring, as soon as arrangements can be made. A large number will be confirmed at that time. Work will be commenced this fall on a new church to be built at Cross Creek, about four miles from the Parish Church. A new organ was placed in St. James' Church last week, and used for the first time on Sunday at Confirmation. The Parish Church is being newly painted, and will be followed by the painting of the Rectory. Last week the Parish Church was insured for \$1,500, and the Rectory for \$1,000.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

WATERVILLE.—On Sunday, the 4th inst., the Bishop of Quebec administered the rite of confirmation to five candidates, after which His Lordship delivered an excellent sermon to an appreciative congregation.

On the evening of the 8th inst., the Ladies' Guild of St. John's Church met at the residence of Mr. Osgood, when it was decided, among other matters, to replace the old painted chancel window by one of stained glass. About \$75 have been already collected for that purpose. It was also resolved that the new window should be in memory of the founders of St. John's Church.

IRELAND.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese is on a confirmation tour through the Eastern Townships. On Wednesday, the 30th of September, he visited the Mission of Ireland. The tardiness of the season has caused the harvest to be later this year than usual. The day was perfect harvest weather, consequently the congregations were not so large as they would otherwise have been. However, both churches were well filled, nearly every family in the Mission being represented. In Trinity Church, Maple Grove, there was a full morning service. There were 30 candidates for confirmation. The Apostolic rite of the laying on of Hands was followed by a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, when 86 communicants partook of the blessed sacrament. Every one of those just admitted to the highest privileges of the Church, availed themselves of the opportunity of "strengthening and refreshing their souls by the Body and Blood of Christ." The Bishop then proceeded to Christ's Church, Lower Ireland. As the day was well advanced it was decided not to have the full evening service, but to proceed at once to the confirmation service. There was a class of 29 who were prepared to receive the sacred rite. After the Bishop had laid his hands on those who took upon themselves the promises made for them at their baptism, he preached a sermon from the text "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." The sermon added very much to the impressiveness of the day's proceedings, so that all who were privileged to witness them must have felt that "it was good for us to be here."

The next day His Lordship was driven to the Station at Thetford Mines, Q. C. R., whence he proceeded to Broughton to hold another confirmation. Such pastoral visits leave pleasant

memories in the isolation of a country mission. Long may our good Bishop live to gladden us with his presence on such occasions.

The railway recently opened from Sherbrooke to Magog, brings the traveller to the boundary of the Diocese, as a line from Lake Memphramagog to Three Rivers, ecclesiastically separates Montreal and Quebec. I still keep up the idea of a Metropolitan City you see. Along the Eastern shore of the Lake lies the Mission of Georgeville and Magog. First opened as such by the Rev. J. Thornloe, afterwards rector of St. Luke's in Montreal. The very pretty church at Georgeville was built during his incumbency. The Rev. F. A. Smith, of New Liverpool, succeeded him at Georgeville and Magog became for a time a distinct cure under the Rev. J. Walters, who had the Church built there.

The two churches were again united under the Rev. E. A. W. King, who has lately to the regret of all parties left the Diocese for Montreal. Eight years ago the present incumbent, the Rev. J. Hepburn, took charge and has a fine Parsonage built at Magog. The outlet as it used to be called, now becoming an important manufacturing centre. The district in summer is well-known to tourists, and the Mission though comparatively of recent date, is rapidly advancing to self support.

INVERNESS.—The Lord Bishop paid a visit to this Mission on Saturday, the 26th Sept., and held a confirmation service in St. Stephen's Church on Sunday morning, the 27th. Notwithstanding the threatening appearance of the morning, a large congregation was assembled at 10 a.m., the little church being filled to its utmost capacity. His Lordship administered the sacred rite of Confirmation to 23 young persons. His address to the candidates was simple, plain, convincing and most affective and deeply impressed all present. Rev. Dr. Roe, the Bishop's chaplain was present, and delivered an address on the subject of Bishops College, and the important work of preparing young men for the ministry, and earnestly pleaded the claims the College had in the sympathy of all Churchmen in the Province. The Bishop also spoke of the great benefit bestowed upon the Church by the College. His Lordship drove over to Leeds in the afternoon and held a Confirmation Service in St. James' Church at 4 p.m., Confirming 21 and preaching twice there that evening. On Monday morning he drove to Kinnear's Mills and held a Confirmation Service there, administering the sacred rite to 19 young people. His Lordship preached a powerful sermon from Luke, xv. 2 verse, "This man receiveth sinners." His Lordship's address seemed to make a strong impression on those present, and was listened to with wrapt attention. In the evening His Lordship drove to Upper Ireland, where he is to hold Confirmation Services this week.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—St. George's.—A lecture on Richard Hooker was delivered by the Rev. J. S. Stone, B.D., on Tuesday evening, the 6th inst. in St. George's School-room, the Very Rev. Dean Carmichael in the chair. There were also present: Rev. Canon Norman, Rev. Canon Anderson, Ven. Archdeacon Evans and Rev. J. G. Norton. The subject was treated in a masterly manner, and after the lecture a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Stone.

On Thursday evening, 8th inst., the first members meeting of the season, was held by the Young Men's Christian Association, the Dean of Montreal in the chair. It was very well attended, and the religious and secular essays by Messrs. Chipman and Short were fully appreciated. Additions were made to the Mission and Hospital Committees, and a special committee struck to take charge of the con-

verzazione on next Thursday night. The chairman spoke at length on the self-denying and successful labors of the Rev. Henry Evans at the Small-Pox Hospital.

The general meeting for the re-organization of the various parish societies connected with woman's work, will be held in St. George's school-house, Tuesday, 13th inst.

The Rev. Chas. Trotman has resigned his position as one of the assistant ministers of St. George's, on account of ill health. Mr. Trotman has done excellent parish work, and the change is regretted.

MANSONVILLE.—A very successful Harvest Home Festival came off here on the 1st. The church ladies had worked at the decorations for two days, and the result was satisfactory, for the church looked much more embellished for the occasion than it has for some years. Probably having Harvest Thanksgiving earlier in the season gave opportunity to get greater variety of material. The service was well attended, the choir doing their part well. The altar was vested in its usual festal covering of white and gold, while both the clergy officiating wore suitable white stoles. The preacher, the Rev. Mr. Bailey, of Richford, Vt., gave a most excellent sermon, one that for language and illustration has not been surpassed by any delivered here for a long time. The incumbent, Rev. W. Ross Brown, celebrated, assisted by Mr. Bailey. The offertory was better than in former years. In the evening an entertainment was given in the Town Hall. Bountiful tables were spread, displaying the excellent cookery for which the ladies here are well-known. After execution on these, a programme of music, vocal and instrumental, followed. The Rev. F. H. Clayton, of Bolton, gave two excellent readings, much to the amusement of the audience. "Handy Andy's Little Mistakes" was his first selection, and one of "Caudle's Curtain Lectures," his second. Advantage was taken of this gathering by the Mayor, L. A. Perkins, to enforce on the attention of the community the necessity of speedy compliance with the requirements of the Board of Health, as regards vaccination. His remarks were taken up and reaffirmed by the incumbent, Rev. Mr. Brown, and by the incumbent of Bolton.

THE CHURCH CONGRESS.—At a meeting of the city clergy and lay representatives of the Anglican Church, held last Wednesday, the Dean of Montreal presiding, in the absence of the Bishop, the following resolution was unanimously passed:—

Proposed by Canon Mills, seconded by Canon Anderson—

"That inasmuch as the secretary has received a number of letters from promised speakers and readers, declining to attend the Congress, based on the estimate they have formed of the present unhealthy state of the city, and that other promised speakers and readers, whilst willing to carry out arrangements long since made, doubt the expediency of holding the Congress on the date appointed, and also as individual members of the committee have received many private letters, urging its postponement on the plea that the attendance under the present circumstances would be but small: Be it hereby resolved, 'That solely and alone on account of the opinions so expressed, and in deference to the feelings and wishes of those at a distance (and not from any fear of personal danger to visitors by the spread of contagion, as arrangements had from the first been made to hold the Congress in the western part of the city, which had but few cases of small-pox within its bounds,) the Congress be not held. Under these circumstances, the committee regret deeply that the time and work of more than six months, spent in faithful preparation, should yield no harvest, but