

EVANDALE.

It is very pleasing to note that the Choir at Evandale have adopted the same system of chanting as in St. Paul's Church—and splendid progress are they making.

It is very much to be desired, that a uniform System of Chanting should be held all over the Parish, so when the Choirs unite, all can assist and be perfectly familiar with the pointing.

A Correction.

In the June number of Church Bell, it was stated that, as far as we know, there was no incorporation in the parish of Greenwich before 1820. This statement will have to be corrected, as just lately, in a search made among the old papers of the Parish, an article has come to light, which is of special interest, for it is the letter written by the Pioneer Churchmen of Greenwich, to the Bishop of N. S. asking for a Clergyman. On the first page of this document, we find that an Easter Monday Meeting was "April ye 17th, 1779," when the Churchwardens, Martin Trecarten and Laurence Foster, were appointed, and the following "Sidemen or Vestry":—Jarvis Worden, Simon Flaglor, Joseph Brittain, Elias Foster, Thomas Flewelling Josiah Foster, Daniel I eatman Sen., Joshua Foster. William Johnson, Caleb Flewelling, Abraham Bulyea, John Bulyea Sen. From 1797, to 1820, we have, as yet, no account of any other Easter Monday Meeting; but we feel safe in saying that undoubtedly this was the first corporation formed in the Parish, and as this Meeting was held only 14 years after the landing of the Loyalists, we therefore find the majority composed of those true Sons of England, who gave up all, rather than be untrue to the Mother land. We can therefore form some idea of the sterling qualities of those early churchmen, and we hope in some future numbers of Church Bell, to give a continued article, treating of the lives of those men, who in midst of hardships and discouragements, gave such earnest care for the welfare of Christ and His Church.

THE CHURCH IN GREENWICH.

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Then followed the Confirmation Service, when seven candidates were presented "upon whom, after the example of the Holy Apostles," the Bishop laid his hands, certifying them "by this sign of God's favor and gracious goodness towards them," and invoking the Holy Spirit to "lead them in the knowledge and obedience of the Word that in the end they may obtain everlasting life." The Celebration of the Holy Communion followed, with the Bishop's address, founded upon Haggai II., part of 7th and 9th verses, "I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts—and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts," which was listened to with marked attention. The number of Communicants—thirty-three—was greater than on any previous occasion, and

and the Offertary amounted to \$5.38. The whole congregation remained until the close of the Celebration, even those who did not communicate, testifying in this way, their respect and reverence for God's house much better than they could possibly have done by leaving the church before they had received the Benediction. The Bishop afterwards expressed his gratification at the quiet and orderly behavior of the congregation during all the solemn functions of the day. After luncheon with W. B. McKeel Esq., His Lordship was accompanied by Rev. Mr. Greer to Westfield Station, and returned to Fredericton. Thus ended a red letter day in the Parish of Greenwich.

And we now offer our congratulations to Mr. McKeel, who, after having liberally supported and faithfully attended his Parish Church, at a distance of six miles, for more than fifty years, has the great comfort of enjoying her ministrations within a few minutes' walk of his own house. Our thanks are due to His Lordship the Metropolitan for the gift of a suitable Altar and Lectern some time since, and now again for a Chancel Chair, an Altar Service Book, and a number of Books of Common Prayer for use in the congregation. The Altar Linen, Altar Cloths and Frontals, the Alms-bags and Stoles are all gifts of the C. E. A. of Kilburn Park Road, London. We are also indebted to Miss Henry, of Prince William, formerly a resident here, for a pretty Frontal for the Lectern.

The English Harmonium, which under good hands, has done good service for some time, is the gift of a daughter of the Rector in memory of a beloved brother."

We have thus traced briefly the history of the Church in this parish, from early days down to the present. The account might have been fuller, were the material at hand. To trace the history of the Church in this parish, would be most inopportune, we leave that for other hands.

But before leaving this subject, it seems very suitable, and also full of interest, to review the past 100 years, and consider briefly, a few of the changes which have taken place in this parish of Greenwich, and compare our state to day, with what it was then.

Consider first the roads, on which our Fathers and forefathers travelled. A carriage, or even a cart, was then unknown; such roads as we have now—with all their imperfections—were unheard of. Travelling was either on foot or on horse-back, the only road being a path through the woods. A farmer then, might be seen making his way to the mill, or market, with sacks tied together, slung over the horse's back,—or on Sundays, a lady riding behind her husband on a pillion. Think now of our easy riding carriages, and consider our advantages which our fathers did not have,—and do we value them as we should?

Again think of the means of travelling between here and St. John. The River was the great highway, and those sturdy pioneers thought nothing of rowing, or sailing their produce to market in small boats.