

easily understand how wrong it would be—so wrong, indeed, that it would not for a moment be tolerated—that one should thrust himself into the office of an ambassador, to act instead of his earthly sovereign unbidden, however much more fit for the office he might consider himself than the person really chosen.

The old names have been applied to the new church, the old offices appointed to be continued in it, and so also were the old ordinances re-enacted in it.

The weekly festival of Sunday takes the place of the Jewish Sabbath; our Easter takes the place of the Jewish Passover, and was for some time kept with it; Christian baptism is a re-enactment of that baptism by which all proselytes were admitted to Judaism; the nature of the Paschal Sacrifice, and the description the Jewish traditions give of that supper, are exactly agreeable to the history in the gospel of our Lord's Supper, and the nature of it.

The answer then to the question at the head of this article is this: Besides the peculiar priests of which we have spoken, every Christian, who has a sacrifice of prayer and praise to offer to God, is a priest. All Christians "are priests unto God the Father." The whole Christian Church, under one Lord, having one faith and one baptism, in its unity is a "Royal Priesthood." And another fact for those who wisely take an interest in this question, is this, that not only is every individual Christian a "priest," but he is also a "temple," unless he may, by his continued course of wicked life, have quenched the Spirit, and become reprobate. "Know ye not," said the apostle to Corinthians, without distinction, "that ye are the temple of the Holy Ghost, and the Spirit of God dwelleth in you."

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CALENDAR.

Sep. 24th.—Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.
2 Kings xviii; Gal. iii.
" xix.; St. Luke i. 57.
" xxiii. 1-31; St. Luke i. 57.
" 25th.—Hosea x.; Gal. iv. 1-21.
" xi. & xii. 1-7; St. Luke ii. 1-21.
" 19th.—St. Cyprian, Bp.
Hosea xiii. 1-15; Gal. iv. 21; v. 13.
" xiv.; St. Luke ii. 21.
" 27th.—Joel i.; Gal. v. 13.
" ii. 1-15; St. Luke iii. 1-23.
" 28th.—" ii. 15-28; Gal. vi. 1-16.
" ii. 28; iii. 9; St. Luke iv. 1-16.
" 29th.—St. Michael and all Angels.
Gen. xxii.; Acts xii. 5-18.
Dan. x. 4; Rev. xiv. 14.
" 30th.—St. Jerome.
Joel iii. 9; Eph. i. 1-16.
Amos i. & ii. 1-4; St. Luke iv. 16.

Confirmation at Ancaster, next week.

FREDERICTON.

The Lord Bishop in his confirmation tour confirmed sixteen at New Bandon, sixteen at Bathurst, ten at Bay du Vin, and then went to Richibucto.

QUEBEC.

St. James' Church Sunday School had a pleasant pic-nic on Saturday, the 9th inst., at Marsten's grove.

ONTARIO.

ORDINATION.—The Lord Bishop of Ontario will (D.V.) hold his next General Ordination in St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, on Friday, Sept. 29th (Festival of St. Michael and All Angels).

The examinations for Deacon's and Priest's Orders will commence in the Synod Hall, Kingston, on Monday, 25th of Sept., at 9 a.m.

Candidates are requested to notify the undersigned, without delay, of their intention to present themselves; and to transmit their *Si Quis* and *Ordination Testimonials* to the same as soon as may be.

WM. BLEASDELL, M.A.,
Examining Chaplain.

Trenton, Aug. 28th, 1876.

THE Lord Bishop purposes to hold a confirmation in Christ Church, Belleville, on the 30th inst.; and consecration of a church and confirmation in Madoc on the 1st of October.

CORNWALL.—In addition to several other gifts previously acknowledged, the Rector and Churchwardens have received from A. W. & F. T. Preston (brothers of Canon Preston) the gift of a Bishop's chair of elegant design, for the Chancel of the Bishop Strachan Memorial Church. The Bishop of Ontario has also presented from a grant made to His Lordship by the S.P.C.K., a new set of Service Books.

BELLEVILLE WEST; ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese, having expressed his willingness to appoint a clergyman to "the separate and independent charge of St. John's Church" if a stipend sufficient for his support were guaranteed, a meeting was held in the church on Wednesday evening, 13th inst., to consider the matter. It was well attended and much interest was manifested. The necessary steps were taken to ascertain, and report at an adjourned meeting to be held next Wednesday, what amount could be raised in the neighborhood for the support of an incumbent. It was thought that there would be no difficulty in securing a sufficient sum if the Rev. Mr. Forneri would accept the incumbency.

OTTAWA.—The annual pic-nic of the Sunday School, in connection with the Church of St. John the Evangelist, took place on Saturday last. The weather in the early morning was cloudy, which kept many away, still some 400 of the teachers and scholars, and their friends assembled at the church, and after prayers, marched in procession to the Queen's Wharf, and embarked per steamer "Queen," for Buckingham. Here the heavily-laden baskets were lightened of the greater portion of their burden. Swings, croquet, etc., were provided for those so inclined, while a programme of games and sports was prepared for the more athletic portion of the gathering. Rev. Mr. Pollard was present with the party, and made himself agreeable to all. The picnickers returned to the city per steamer "Peerless," conscious of having enjoyed a very pleasant time.

SMITH'S FALLS.—On Tuesday, Sept. 12th, the Bishop of Ontario was at St. John's Church, and confirmed forty-three candidates. The service was conducted with great solemnity. His Lordship sat on a chair at the entrance of the sacristy.

Each of the candidates was presented to him "in order," for the "Laying on of hands" by the Rector, the Rev. C. P. Emery. The chancel had been beautifully decorated by the ladies of the church the day previous. Amongst the decorations stood most prominent a reredos covered with beautiful designs in moss, evergreens and flowers, with a crown of gold placed between two triangles and under a circle; the altar was vested in white, with a gold monogram. Two beautiful vases of flowers were placed upon the altar, with a lovely white "day lily" between them. The credence was covered with white and was also decorated with flowers. There were eight clergymen in the chancel, whilst the nave was crowded by a devout and earnest congregation. The Bishop gave a plain practical address which was listened to with much attention. Every one of the newly confirmed received the first communion together with eighty-eight others, making in all one hundred and thirty-one. The Bishop and clergy walked in procession up the nave preceded by a beautiful banner borne aloft by the Rector's son. The processional hymn was "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Previous to the Confirmation service a gentleman who had been brought up as a Scotch Congregationalist was baptized into the Catholic Church. The Rector commenced the solemn service at the font, which stands in its proper place at the west door, and the Bishop performed the act of baptizing; the candidate kneeling. His Lordship having returned to his place in the sacristy, the Rector continued the service.

There were six converts from the sects confirmed by the Bishop on this occasion. In the evening there was a reception at the parsonage in honor of the Bishop. A general invitation was given to the parishioners to come and be presented to his Lordship.

The annual Harvest Home Festival is to be celebrated in this Parish on the last Tuesday in the month, when Archdeacon Lauder is expected to preach.

On the 31st ult., His Lordship the Bishop, after a journey by rail from Montreal, drove out to the village of Chrysler, accompanied by the Rev. Canon Preston of Cornwall, and on the following day (Sept. 1st) held a confirmation, when thirty persons were admitted to the sacred rite, and also received their first communion. It was pleasing to hear in this remote rural district, a hearty service of praise, sung by a choir of boys, trained by the wife of the Incumbent. The boys also walked in procession, with banners, from the Parsonage to the Church, followed by the Bishop and Clergy, singing the processional hymn, "Brightly gleams our banner." A large congregation, heartfelt devotion, united responding, and hearty singing, with the large class that were confirmed, and a large number of communicants, proved that the church is prospering under the ministry of the Rev. M. T. Early, whose wife is most assiduous in her labours for the good of the parish. On the 2nd inst., the Bishop returned to the front, and after consecrating the beautiful cemetery at Maple Grove, on the banks of the St. Lawrence, drove to Cornwall. On Sunday, the 3rd Sept., His Lordship administered the rite of confirmation to forty-six persons, who all received at his hands their first communion. The Bishop Strachan Memorial Church was crowded with a congregation of over 500. His Lordship preached to a very large congregation in the evening, and delivered in his own impressive and convincing manner, a most eloquent and instructive sermon.