

short time, while he greatly impressed his hearers. The morning subject was of altar and temple-building, and of that sacrifice which is essential to true religion, and the evening topic was of that public worship that God required of His people in the building erected in His name. During the offertory, at the respective services, solos were well rendered by Miss Bull and Miss Martin, while the choir was assisted by Dr. Russell. Among the interesting personal reminiscences of those present, we might mention that Mrs. Gardiner attended the first service in the old building, her mother, Mrs. Johnson, playing the organ. Mrs. Gardiner's daughter's marriage was the first celebrated in the new church.

### HURON.

MAURICE S. BALDWIN, D.D., BISHOP, TONDON.

Personal.—The Rev. E. Softley, jr., late of Kingsville, is spending a season of vacation with his parents at Leamington, Ont., previous to engaging again in active work.

Bruce Deanery.—The next annual Sunday school convention for Bruce will be held at Walkerton on July 21, for which occasion a suitable programme is being prepared.

Warton.—Trinity Church.—The Queen's Jubilee was not forgotten here. The church was appropriately decorated, and services were observed having direct reference to the unique event. On the afternoon of June 20 a public religious service was held in the Town Hall, when a sermon was preached by the Rev. W. Henderson, attended by the various local societies. The following Sunday, 27th, the Masonic body attended Trinity church, when the Rev. Bro. G. M. Franklin, District Chaplain, was the special preacher.

Ripley.—Special Jubilee services were held here on June 20 and 22. The appointed service was read on the Sunday in St. Paul's church. National hymns were used, and a suitable sermon was preached by the rector. On the morning of the 22nd there was held in St. Paul's church a union Thanksgiving service, which was quite well attended. The prayers were said by the incumbent of the parish, and one of the two resident Presbyterian ministers and the Methodist minister gave short addresses. In the evening a national concert was given in the Agricultural Hall, by the members of the choir, augmented for the occasion. Miss Annie E. Freeborn, of Clinton, was the soloist, and the vocalists were assisted by a small orchestra, a drum and fife band from Kinlough, and the Ripley brass band. The concert was brought to a close with three cheers for the Queen, after which a large bonfire was burned on the grounds, together with the fiery cross of St. Andrew. The proceeds will go towards a Jubilee bell, to be placed in the church tower.

### ALGOMA.

GEORGE THORNLOE, D.D., BISHOP, SAULT STE. MARIE.

Schreiber.—On April 4th Rev. J. P. Thursly took the services at Nepigon. On April 11th Rev. M. C. Keily, R.D., assisted at the services and preached. On May 23rd Rev. J. P. Thursly took the services at Schreiber. On April 22nd an Easter meeting was held. Mr. W. Hedge and Mr. G. E. Stacey were appointed churchwardens. The sum of \$90 was raised towards repairing and paying off the debt on the parsonage. Mr. Hedge and Mr. Presson repaired the parsonage. Mr. Stacey tinted the windows in the church. Mr. Riley did the plastering. All this work was done gratuitously. On June 22nd the W.A. held a fancy sale and tea, and realized the sum of \$66. The wardens have been able to add \$50, making a total of \$116 towards the parsonage debt, leaving less than \$100 to pay.

## British and Foreign.

Dr. William Spark, the well-known city organist of Leeds, died recently, aged 72.

The Bishop of Bangor, who has been very ill, is now almost restored to health again.

The Rev. F. C. Moir, rector of St. Mary's, Port Glasgow, has been appointed incumbent of St. John's, Dumfries, which is an important living.

Through the liberality of the members of four of the City of London Companies, the half-domes at the corners of the great dome will be filled with mosaics.

The Bishop of Wakefield's Jubilee hymn was sung on the 20th ult. at the Greek church in Bayswater, and also in a number of Non-conformist places of worship.

On the night of the 22nd ult. an electric arc light of 45,000 candle-power flashed from the highest turret of the great west tower of Ely cathedral from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m.

A sad accident marred the Diamond Jubilee celebration on Sunday, June 20th, at Hawarden church. The band was playing through the village when James Rogers, who was in charge of the drum, died.

On Jubilee day the bells were rung in the parish church of Dolgelly. One of the ringers was an aged man, who rang the same bells sixty years ago on the occasion of her Majesty's accession.

The Church of St. Andrew, Kildwick-in-Craven, which is known by the name of "The Lang Kirk of Craven," is in a dangerous condition, and it has been decided to pull down and rebuild part of it at once.

The Dean of Canterbury assigned seats to many leading Non-conformists at the St. Augustine Commemoration service, which was held in the cathedral on the 3rd July, on which occasion the Primate addressed the Bishops.

The Rev. A. J. Robinson, rector of Holy Trinity, Marylebone, and some time previous to that the rector of Whitechapel, has been offered the rectorship of St. Martin's, Birmingham, and will in all probability accept that living.

In St. Thomas' church choir at Ryde, Isle of Wight, and old lady of 85 is the leader of the choir, of which she has been a member for 78 years. She walks to the church from the almshouses, of which she is an inmate, to the services regularly Sunday after Sunday.

At the open-air service, held on the steps of St. Paul's cathedral on the Queen's Jubilee day, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York wore their purple coronation robes, and the Bishop of London was vested in a magnificent new cope of cloth of gold.

The Bishop of Perth (W. Aus.), Dr. Riley, had a narrow escape when starting for England to attend the Lambeth Conference. A signal rocket, sent up from the vessel on which he was voyaging, was driven back by the wind, and, passing between his ankles, struck the deck with great force, making a hole four inches in diameter. A sailor was killed.

The Most Rev. the Lord Archbishop of Finland, who, by command of the Czar, specially represented the Russian Orthodox Church at the Jubilee celebrations, was present in St. Paul's cathedral at the great service held therein on the morning of the 20th ult. At its conclusion the Archbishop left his stall, and, following the clergy and

the choir, proceeded to the vestry, blessing the people as he went. In the evening he attended St. Barnabas, Pimlico.

It will be of interest to many Church people to know that the crozier borne by the Archbishop of Finland in St. Paul's cathedral on June 20th, and which he used again upon Jubilee day, is one of the three episcopal staffs which belonged to the celebrated Patriarch of Moscow, Philaret Nikitich Romanoff, the father of the Tsar Michael Theodorovich, the founder (A.D. 1613) of the present reigning dynasty of Russia. The "crutch" of this famous crozier, which most visitors to Moscow will remember to have seen in the Kremlin amongst the treasures of the Patriarchal Treasury, is one of the best specimens of 17th century jewelry which that splendid collection possesses. It is made of solid gold, and is richly ornamented with turquoises and other precious stones.

## Correspondence.

*All Letters containing personal allusions will appear over the signature of the writer.*

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*N.B.—If any one has a good thought, or a Christian sentiment, or has facts, or deductions from facts, useful to the Church, and to Churchmen, we would solicit their statement in brief and concise letters in this department*

### THE INDIA FAMINE.

Sir,—Have the Canadian people an idea of the sad condition India still is in with her multitude of starving? We hear conflicting reports, but the letter published in the last number of the Faithful Witness gives no uncertain sound, and I trust the readers of The Canadian Churchman will be interested in knowing how things are with their brethren in India, and that all who can send any further help will bear their great distress in mind. Sunday schools and congregations can fill envelopes specially marked for this purpose, and there are many, many ways in which we can still help to feed these hungry people. Let us think we see them, worn down to skeletons, in their hot, boiling sun, pleading for food. Let us not forget or neglect them, let us each try and do something, looking above for guidance and blessing. The Bishop of Lucknow, Rev. A. H. Wright, Allahabad, India, who is in the midst of the famine district, is most thankful for help, that the missionaries may continue their work of relief, and contributions may be sent direct to his address, or to Mrs. Williamson, 83 Wellesley street, Toronto, who will be kind enough to forward it, and I trust he may still receive many offerings from sympathetic hearts. The cry of starving little children is particularly distressing. A lady of this town, who is now working in one of the India Homes, writes that the messenger despatched to bring in some of these children, had aged ten years by the sights he had seen by the way. Miss MacLean is glad to supply any who can make use of subscription envelopes. They may be had by ordering them from Mr. G. Parker, 33 Adelaide street west, Toronto.

READER.

## Family Reading.

### CONTENTMENT.

A gentleman meeting with a shepherd, one misty morning, enquired, "What kind of weather do you think it will be?"

"It will be," said the shepherd, "what weather pleaseth me." On being asked to explain his meaning, he replied, "It will be what weather pleaseth God, and what weather pleaseth God, pleaseth me."

—"The larger our faith in the unseen, the more we shall see in the seen."