

there was a pretty little Church, a comfortable parsonage and a clergyman. The name of that place was Barnston. At another place, where pretty much the same state of affairs prevailed, the Bishop had recently been called upon to open a new Mission, and there had been much good done. Many came forward and joined the Church, all being very deeply impressed by the great liberality and earnestness of the Services. A prominent resident of the place came forward and himself offered to undertake a very large share of the building of a Church and there was now a flourishing mission work going on. Fitch Bay, Lake Megantic and many other places might also be named as instances of the same marvellous great gain and progress being made. The great problem after all, however, was not any of these, but how to get men and means to answer the calls upon us. "Where," asked the speaker, "has the Church obtained help for her great work in the past? Well, to a great extent, this has been drawn from private munificence of private laymen, whose names will ever linger in our minds and remain honoured household words. But this help has also been received from this noble Church Society in the interests of which those present are gathered together. Where in this diocese is there a Church which has not received from it aid in some shape or form in building, endowments, distribution of Prayer and Hymn Books, Bibles and general religious literature? It is due to it that the poor Diocese of Quebec is to-day, of all Canadian Dioceses, the best equipped in its beneficiary connections. The best business talent too of able and noble laymen has been devoted to caring for its funds and the results are such to-day that we give some \$4,000 per annum to missions outside of the Diocese and \$30,000 to the same purposes inside its limits. And of all the vast funds of the Society, over \$500,000, not one cent has been lost by bad investments during the first 50 years of the Society's existence. This cannot be merely because the best business talent has charge of the funds of the Society, but because the Hand of God is resting upon it. Let us then learn the lessons which this Society teaches us and give it more of our time, money and talents, always remembering that the smallest thing may be used for the best by God. Just as Jesus Christ glorified the Cross, so may God glorify these gifts and devote them to the best results. Go forth and give in the spirit of the Cross, and God will bless your

efforts, and the Society will have a great and glorious future before it." (Loud cheers.)

The Bishop of Vermont was the next speaker and delivered an exceedingly eloquent address. In recognition of the hearty applause which greeted him upon rising, he expressed his sincere thanks for the warmth of his reception. He spoke too of his pleasure at being present. Neighbors, he said, should be friends, and there was a certain amount of intercourse between Vermont and Quebec. One mission in Vermont was actually served by a priest from Quebec Diocese. When elected to the Episcopacy, he was glad that his Diocese was a border one, and he felt that he ought to be able to help the Canadian Church, as an English priest, an American Bishop—a British subject and an American citizen. He was not a stranger, either, in Canada, having preached missions and held retreats both for clergy and laity from Halifax to New Westminster. Nor was it from pure generosity alone that he had come to Quebec to assist at that Anniversary. He had heard so much of the excellent central plan of the Quebec Church Society for the payment of country clergymen, that he determined to come up and learn all about it, when the opportunity offered. The churchmen of Quebec and Vermont had much in common. They suffered from emigration, they had no very large and flourishing centres, they were surrounded by a hostile population. He expressed his pleasure that Quebec was willingly giving up the grant from the S. P. G. Despite all disadvantages he was glad to be able to look encouragingly upon the future. But then, of course, he was only a young Bishop. Well, he hoped the Bishop of Quebec was young enough to look hopefully on the future of things. (Cheers.) There were four points of encouragement in the great difficulties of which he had spoken. First of all, it was said the Diocese of Vermont was small and poor. Well, if it were large, it would be too rich for him, but, as it was small, he hoped to be able to do something for it. So in small missions. Though the clergy could not do as conspicuous work, they might do more of a pastoral character, and in training their people in Christian work. Then we were told that from Vermont, as from Quebec, people go West and you cannot keep them long enough to get any good out of them. Well, he said, let them go. Only give them something to take with them. We owe something to the West. Let them be well instructed Church-