

"Resolved, that in his death we have lost an efficient officer of the church and faithful Churchman; a man of true and honest purpose, of kind heart, of sound judgment, and an earnest Christian."

"Resolved, that we tender to the widow and family of the deceased our unaffected sympathy and condolence in this their most afflictive bereavement."

"That a copy of these resolutions be communicated to the family of the deceased."

YARKER.—For some time the congregation of this parish have contemplated the removal of their church from the hill to a more convenient location in the centre of the village, and when B. S. O'Loughlin, last winter, tendered a gift of the desired site, the scheme took form and grew at once into operations for removal. A few weeks later B. S. O'Loughlin, en route to Europe, calling upon his cousins, the O'Loughlins, of New York, and upon making mention of the project of removing the church, received from them the magnificent offer of a completely new edifice, to be a memorial to their father, the late Rev. Anthony Joseph O'Loughlin, who died rector of North Gower, a few years ago. The late reverend gentleman was always very fond of Yarker and its church, and spent a good part of his holidays there every year with his brother, Michael O'Loughlin. The new edifice will be of pressed brick, and no expense will be spared to make it one of the handsomest buildings in the diocese.

ROSLIN.—The annual Harvest Home Thanksgiving services were held in Christ Church, Thomasburg, on Thursday, September 5th, when there was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m., the celebrant being the Rev. J. Fisher, incumbent, and the epistoller, the Rev. C. J. Hutton. An able and appropriate sermon was preached on Exodus xii. 26, by the Rev. D. F. Bogert, rector of St. John's, Belleville. Festal Evensong was said at 2.30 p.m. by the Rev. D. F. Bogert, and an eloquent sermon was preached on Psalms lxvii. 5, 6. The church, which had been very tastefully decorated, was filled to overflowing by both young and old, who flocked from all parts of the parish. After the service the usual social was held, and thus was brought to a close one of the most successful Harvest Homes ever held in Roslin parish.

KINGSTON.—*St. Paul's.*—The Rev. H. P. Chase, chief of the Ojibway Indians, occupied the pulpit in this church last Sunday morning. He gave an outline of his life from the time of his conversion to Christianity. For thirty-two years he has been an ordained minister of the Church of England; visited England three times and raised sufficient money to build three churches, in which his people now worship. He worked to earn the money with which he paid for his tuition, both in school and college. Rev. Mr. Chase wears a medal presented to his father by King George IV. for his loyalty to the British, and also one presented to himself by the Prince of Wales at the time of his visit to Canada.

NAPANEE MILLS.—The new Church of St. Jude's was opened for divine services and dedicated to the Great Head of the Church on Sunday, August 18th, by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Kingston, assisted by the incumbent and Mr. W. P. Reeve, of the Cambridge Divinity School, Mass., with all the dignity and beauty possible under our limited circumstances. At the morning service the church was packed, and after availing themselves of the porch and vestry many were still unable to get in. The Archdeacon preached a very beautiful and eloquent sermon from Ex. xxxiii. 14. Many received the Holy Communion. The choir led the service very well indeed, assisted by members from St. Luke's and St. John's. The offertory was very good. In the afternoon the Sunday-school children, assisted by the St. John's Sunday-school, enjoyed a bright service. There were three baptisms and three children received into the church. The Archdeacon again preached a most appropriate and practical sermon from St. Mark iv. 28. In the evening the church was again filled and a most hearty service was again rendered. The Archdeacon preached a grand and eloquent sermon upon worship, deriving his arguments and conclusions entirely from Scripture. He showed first that worship should be reverent and the position in prayers kneeling: "O come let us worship and fall down and kneel before the Lord our maker." 2nd. That it should be common responsive worship: "And one cried unto another and said, Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of Hosts." 3rd. That singing is just as much part of worship as praying, and that even prayers might be sung just as well as said: "O come let us sing unto the Lord." 4th. That worship must be sacrificial and symbolical: "For I will not take that which is thine for the Lord, nor offer burnt offerings without cost." 5th. Our worship should be as beautiful as our circumstances would allow, in the building itself, both outward and inward, and also in the vestments

decorations and service, looking back upon God's instructions to the Jews in the building of the temple, and forward through St. John's revelation of what we may look for when the great Church triumphant shall be the Church at rest. The whole day was one long to be remembered. The church was very much admired by all who saw it. Beautiful and useful gifts were made to the church the previous week. The donors' names are not made public. 1st. An altar reredos, credence, bishop's chair, prayer desk and seat lectern and pulpit, all in butternut wood, and manufactured at the Rathbun works, Deseronto. 2nd. A font, the base and column being of Calabogie marble and the basin of pure white. The text—"He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved," round the top, and a beautiful I. H. S. in the front. It has been placed on a raised platform at the door, and was manufactured by Mr. Koubert, of Napanee, in his well-known style. The church has a small debt which it is hoped will be wiped out in a few weeks, when it is expected the Archbishop will visit the parish, consecrate the church, and hold a confirmation. The organ lately purchased is a very fine instrument, having a double keyboard, double set of stops and foot pedals. Our young organist, Miss Laura Dunlop, who played at all the services on Sunday and used the new organ for the first time, showed both courage and ability that should mark her as a great musician in years to come. The building committee, we are sure, must feel thankful that the many anxious days have been brought to such a successful issue. We cannot leave this notice without referring to the splendid manner in which each contractor, and the deep interest and pride each, together with their assistants, took in the work intrusted to them. Messrs. Thos. Pybus and Brothers, stone and brick work; Messrs. Edgar Bros., the carpentering work; Mr. McMullen, of Napanee, the plastering; and Mr. Mordock the painting. We wish to thank those who have undertaken the collecting of the funds; also we would take this opportunity to express our grateful thanks to the friends and neighbours not of our communion who have in one way and another assisted us in our undertaking. To the many, far and near, both of our own communion and others who have so kindly given of their substance in either large or small amounts to the building fund and to the donors of the beautiful gifts above mentioned, we return our grateful and hearty thanks. It now remains for the congregation to show their appreciation of all that has been done for them by a regular, reverent and loving attendance at the service which will be held in this beautiful little House of God, and by the consistency of their lives show the neighbourhood that their religion is a reality and an assistance in their daily work.

TORONTO.

ARTHUR SWEATMAN, D.D., BISHOP, TORONTO.

Any Sunday schools having library books out of use, would do a great favour by donating them to the Sunday school of Christ Church, Tottenham. The Sunday school here has difficult work to maintain an existence, and any help in the way of books or periodicals would be greatly appreciated. Any one disposed to help us, can send to the incumbent.

NIAGARA.

CHARLES HAMILTON, D.D., BISHOP, HAMILTON.

ACTON WEST.—Friday the 6th inst. was a red letter day in this parish, when the modest little Church of St. Alban's presented such an attractive appearance on the occasion of the annual Harvest Festival. Many members of the congregation had worked most energetically all week to adorn their church in a way becoming this sacred and joyous Festival. The abundance of freshly-cut flowers and the artistically arranged grain, together with the white frontals and altar-cloth, in harmony with the season of joy, and expression of purity and righteousness, made the church look most beautiful. The service in the evening was very bright; the singing exceptionally good; and the Rev. Dr. Sweeny, of Toronto, preached a most admirable sermon on the joy of the harvest. The services were continued on the Sunday following. In the evening the church was filled to overflowing; and in the course of his sermon the incumbent expressed his earnest wish and hope that as priest and people they would be able to say with pride that they had, in time to come, paid off the recent debt on the parsonage without resorting to a single entertainment; and that by such free-will offerings as they would give from time to time they might be assured that their alms were thus, and thus only, really going up as memorials before God. The offertories during the Festival were very good indeed, considering that a subscription list had but recently been passed through the congregation.

HURON.

MAURICE S. BALDWIN, D.D., BISHOP, LONDON.

MORPETH.—The Ruri-decanal Chapter of Kent met on the 3rd inst. in St. John's Church under the presidency of the Rev. S. L. Smith, Rural Dean and incumbent of the parish. The meeting was held in the afternoon, and was opened with prayer, after which the minutes of the last meeting, held at Thamesville, were read. The first business was the election of a Mission's Committee for the deanery, which resulted as follows: The Rev. Rural Dean Smith, ex-officio. The Rev. H. E. Bray, and the Rev. W. E. Scott, with Messrs. Henry Stewart, of Morpeth, and R. R. Lothian, of Ridgetown. The Secretary of the Chapter, the Rev. G. M. Franklin, was re-elected. The Rev. T. R. Davis, rector of Sarnia and R. D. of Lambton, who attended as a deputation from the Diocesan Missions' Committee, addressed the Chapter upon the practical question of recent Synodical action relating to the Mission Fund, and discussed the methods by which the new Canon might be effectively worked. Many helpful suggestions were made, and resolutions were passed by the Chapter directly bearing upon this very important question. It was resolved: "That this Chapter empower the Home Mission Committee to arrange for the holding of the annual missionary services by a general clerical exchange on the last Sunday in October." It was also resolved: "That the members of this Chapter pledge themselves to do their utmost during the coming year to raise the minimum amount of \$1 per year as required by Canon 27." The invitation of the Rev. W. E. Scott to hold the next meeting at Ridgetown was accepted with thanks. An expression of appreciation on the part of the Chapter of the timely and wise words of the Rev. Rural Dean Davis, and thanks for his visit, were tendered, after which the Chapter was adjourned *sine die*. In the evening the Annual Harvest Home Service of the congregation was held. The church, having been elegantly adorned with plants, fruit, vegetables and cut flowers, presented a pretty sight. The Revs. T. R. Davis, G. M. Franklin and Rural Dean Smith took part in the service, the two former making appropriate addresses. Miss Duck sang "He shall lead His flock" (Handel), very acceptably during the offertory, accompanied by Mrs. Harding. The service was closed in the usual way. At the close of the service the congregation remained to witness the marriage ceremony. The contracting parties were Mrs. Elizabeth Boulter and W. C. Ribble, and the "Wedding March" was played as the bridal party retired from the church. The hospitality of the Morpeth congregation was thoroughly appreciated by all the visitors, and the meeting of the R. D. Chapter was both harmonious and successful.

BLYTH.—The Harvest Thanksgiving Services in connection with this parish were held at all three places on Sunday, Sept. 8th. The preacher for the day was the Rev. Rural Dean Hodgins of Seaford, and never in the history of the parish were congregations better pleased with the day's results. At Belgrave and Manchester many had to go away, there not being even standing room. The sermon was a practical exposition of God's goodness as seen in the individual, the church, the home and the nation, and was listened to with marked attention throughout. The churches were beautifully decorated with the products of the field and the garden, and the thankoffering, which was over \$200, would have been a credit to people of a much larger place. To Rev. Mr. Higley is indebted a great deal of the success which this parish at present enjoys. He is a most indefatigable worker, ministering to three congregations, involving a drive every Sunday of over 28 miles. The services are reverent and churchly, and in few places have we more zealous churchgoers or larger contributors for their means.

NORTH RIDGE.—*Holy Trinity Church and St. Paul's Church, Essex.*—The former of these churches was the first built in the township of North Gosfield. Services were first performed in this neighbourhood in an old log school house on Talbot St., by the Rev. Robert Fletcher, in the year 1866, being at that time incumbent of St. John's Church, Kingsville, and Christ Church, Colchester, his mission including considerable adjacent territory. His labours were received with much acceptability, and the people were soon impressed with the importance of erecting a church that the Divine services might have a permanent, secure and fitting place to be consecrated to their performance. Shortly, therefore, after Mr. Fletcher had entered upon this mission, the subject having been mooted, a plot of ground was donated as a site for the proposed church, on condition that a portion of the ground be set apart for the burial of his remains and those of his wife, by Mr. William Marriott. The number of those who really belonged to the Church of England in this place was very small, and the church, a neat frame building, was erected by the joint efforts and cost of three members of the congregation, John J. Fulmer, Benjamin Galt