

privileges compared with their neighbors, only now and then a clergyman visited them, but their case having been brought to the notice of our good Bishop, he immediately sent Mr. Smith, an earnest missionary, among them for three months to see what could be done for them. Mr. Smith was very successful, and was God's instrument in making the people feel the great necessity of living more for eternity than they had done. Rev. J. Ker is now following up the work begun, and has bright prospects before him for doing a noble work. Preparations are being made to build a church, and a large number of the people are being instructed for baptism.

ONTARIO.

BELLEVILLE.—The Rev. J. R. Jones, who has accepted the Incumbency of St. George's Church, preached his inaugural sermon on Sunday morning last from 1 Cor. ii. 2.

CHRIST CHURCH.—The wardens failing to secure the services of a clergyman for last Sunday, the Rev. J. R. Jones kindly officiated at 8 o'clock.

St. JOHN'S CHURCH.—The Rt. Rev. J. T. Lewis, D.D., LL.D., Lord Bishop of the Diocese will D.V. open this church on Sunday, 5th Nov., the Rev. R. S. Forneri having accepted the Incumbency.

EDWARDSBURG.—A handsome fence is being placed about the churchyard of Christ's Church. It consists of posts with Gothic capitals, shewing a trefoil in each face, the spaces between the parts being divided into ecclesiastical patterns, by horizontal, diagonal, and circular pieces. It is to cost about \$115, and was designed by the Incumbent, the Rev. K. L. Jones. The church, which is a very pretty brick building, of the early English period of Gothic architecture, and consists of nave, chancel, porch, and vestry, and was designed by Henry McDougall, of Toronto, architect, is now out of debt, the last instalment having been paid last summer. The building was commenced while the Rev. G. A. Anderson was Rector of Iroquois church, Edwardsburg, and owes its existence not only to his zeal, but also to the liberality of T. W. Benson, Esq., the founder of the Edwardsburg Starch Factory. This earnest churchman not only subscribed handsomely to the building fund, but also advanced money for the completion of the building, and together with Mrs. Benson, helped on the work in every way. The money for the stained glass of the beautiful East and West windows was collected by the Benson children. The parishioners of Christ's Church have decided to begin a parsonage fund next winter, and to commence building as soon as a suitable lot can be obtained.

CHRIST CHURCH OTTAWA.—On the 12th inst., Archdeacon Lauder held a thanksgiving service and Festival. On entering the sacred edifice it was apparent that nimble hands and warm hearts had labored assiduously, for the pillars, galleys, side gas jets and arches were all gracefully embellished with fruits, wreaths of flowers and leaves, small sheaves of grain, vegetables, fir sprays and other nature's gifts. The baptismal font was becomingly neat and chaste in the adornments it had received at the hands of Mrs. Remon and Miss Wright. Enveloped in festoons of choice flowers, on a white ground, it fittingly represented the emblem of innocence. The window recess, close by, was filled with moss, and further embellished with red, black, and green berries, a cross being formed on the green back-

ground by the red berries. Passing up the centre aisle to the chancel, further proof of the good will and skill of the ladies was observed. The lectern was nicely dressed in green and coloured leaves, in the form of a Cross, encircled by a wreath of pansies, and sheaves of wheat and oats intermixed were placed at each side of the choir stalls.

The altar was naturally and correctly made the centre of adornment. On the centre of the table a large group of fruits was displayed, surmounted by a miniature sheaf of wheat, and grouped around this were four magnificent bouquets of cut flowers, the choicest obtainable. Resting on the re-table and filling the three window recesses immediately above was a foundation of moss overlaid with dark fir leaves. The left and right of these recesses had the letters "A" and "O" (Alpha and Omega) in red berries, and in the centre recess immediately above the altar were the letters, "I.H.S." in white, over which was laid a handsome wreath of flowers. Round the large stained glass chancel window was the appropriate extract, "Thou openest Thine hand and fillest all things living with plenteousness," cut in large letters, and formed entirely of leaves of various trees, from the slightly tinged to the deepest lake red, or rather that indescribable rich tint, assumed at this season of the year.

At the service there was a large congregation, consisting of ordinary members and a number of strangers. The Office commenced by the choir singing the German Choral to "Now thank we all our God," the clergy entering the church during its rendering. Canon Jones intoned the prayers; the Rev. A. W. Cooke, and the Rev. G. N. Higginson respectively read the lessons, whilst Canon Johnstone preached from Exodus, c. 3, vs. 16 and 19. He showed how in ancient times the priest first cut a portion of grain in the field and took it into an outer chamber of the Temple where it was threshed, and afterwards presented to God by the priests with solemn ceremonial. The grain was subsequently made into dough and used in the Temple services. The venerable Canon was glad that such holy ceremony had not been forgotten or discontinued. Harvest festivals were held by the earliest Christians, and were in harmony with the genius of Christianity.

After the conclusion of the impressive discourse Archdeacon Lauder pronounced the benediction, and the congregation adjourned to the social festival in the basement. The musical portion was efficiently rendered by Mr. Mills and his choir, and embraced the following programme:—Opening Hymn, Versicles, Proper Psalms, Cantate and Deus, Anthem, Hymn, Closing Anthem. The verse parts in the cantate and Deus were rendered by Mesdames Kirby, P. E. Sheperd, More, and Mesars. Blyth, Orme, and Humphreys.

The collection realized a handsome sum, and will be devoted to the poor and needy of the parish, as will also the proceeds of the festival.

The following were the clergymen present: Archdeacon Lauder, Canon Johnstone, Canon Jones, L.L.D., Revs. G. Jemmet, (Rochesterville); G. A. Higginson, (New Edinburgh); W. W. Fleming, (March); S. McMorran, (Huntley); C. P. Emery, (Smith's Falls); J. W. Forsyth, (Kitley); T. Garret, (Belleville), and A. W. Cooke, (Pakenham).

The decorations were entirely carried out by Miss Mann, the pupils of the Church schools and their teachers, Mesdames Sheperd, C. E. Anderson, Remon, and Misses Powell, Wright (2), Lewis (2), and L. Chesley. The refreshment tables were under the management of Mesdames

McNab, Pito, Chepmell, J. B. Lewis, A. Lindsay, W. R. Wright, and Godfrey Green, who formed the committee of ways and means in this department. The entire service was a success, and all concerned deserve the highest praise.

TORONTO.

ASHBURNHAM.—At 3 p.m., the Bishop held a confirmation in this parish, lately set off from Peterboro', where the fruits of the earnest labours of Rev. W. C. Bradshaw are beginning already to show themselves. In the short space of three months he has been enabled both to gather together a goodly assemblage of former adherents to the church, and to draw in a number of those not belonging to her communion. St. Luke's, Ashburnham, was full to overflowing; and the Bishop in his address expressed his high gratification at the evidences of good and true work afforded by the number of candidates—thirty-four in all, twelve of whom were of adult years, and several of them formerly Methodists or Presbyterians. A most pleasing feature of this confirmation was that no less than twenty-nine of the newly confirmed received the Holy Communion with about thirty other members of the congregation. A faithful, hard-working clergyman is pretty sure to find his zealous efforts appreciated, even by those alienated from the church, by circumstances of birth and education, and chiefly hostile to her through the prejudice caused by ignorance of her evangelical teaching.

Sunday, the 15th October, will be a day long to be remembered by churchmen in Peterboro' and its neighborhood; it is not often one sees anywhere out of a Cathedral an assemblage of fifteen clergymen. The Rector of Peterboro' purposes to avail himself of the presence of the Bishop and several of his reverend brethren, who can remain over, to hold a missionary meeting this evening, Monday, Oct 16th.

PETERBORO'.—The Lord Bishop of Toronto held, on Sunday, 15th October, his annual ordination in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Peterboro'; when four Deacons were advanced to the Priesthood, and four candidates admitted to the Diaconate. The names of the new Priests, in the order of examination merit, are: William Cartwright Allen, B.A., lately Curate of Peterboro', and recently appointed one of the masters of Trinity College School, Port Hope; George Horlock, Student of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, England, Incumbent of Bobcaygeon; George Ledingham, missionary in West Mulmur; and Alexander Burnside Chafee, B.A., missionary in Vespera. The names of the Deacons, likewise in the order of their examination, are: Edward Soward, appointed to Norwood, Westwood and Belmont; John Edmund Cooper, missionary in Township of Stanhope and parts adjacent; Philip Harding, missionary in the Townships of Chandon and Anstruther; and Joseph Gander, missionary in the Townships of Cardiff and Monmouth. The interesting rite was witnessed by a large congregation, and a number of the neighboring clergy assembled for the occasion. Besides the Bishop, and the Venerable J. Wilson, M.A., Archdeacon of Peterboro', who presented the candidates, there were present Rev. W. Stennett, M.A., Rector of Cobourg, Examining Chaplain; Rev. J. W. R. Beck, M.A., Rector of Peterboro'; Rev. Vincent Clementi, B.A., late of Lakefield; Rev. F. Burt of Minden; and Rev. Wm. Jupp, missionary of Haliburton. The Bishop preached an admirable sermon from Rom. x. 14, and administered the Holy Communion to the whole of the clergy present, and a large number of the members of St. John's congregation. In