

being added to the Church's roll, in this Mission. "Te Deum laudamus."

Clifton Church.—Mr. A. W. Smithers, of King's College, Windsor, N.S., has been working as lay reader in this Mission for the past three months. Through his energy and zeal, he has succeeded in bringing many back, who had wandered from their first love, and the Congregation have now decided to build a new Church. The Ladies held a picnic on August 10th, in aid of the building fund; it was a grand success. The day was very fine and a large crowd of people were present. Our Rector Mr. Peters, and a number of Bathurst folk were in attendance; we were all pleased to see our good Pastor among us, and to hear his pleasant voice. The receipts amounted to \$235. The foundation of the new Church is to be laid this fall.

His Lordship the Metropolitan of Canada, was here on Tuesday evening, and Confirmed forty candidates, and baptized one adult. His Lordship said that it was the largest number that had been confirmed in this Church for some years. He urged upon the young men and young women who had come forward and received the rite of Confirmation, to walk in accordance with God's law, that the world might know by their daily life that they were Christians; he also spoke forcibly to the young women, not to engage themselves to any drunken young man. The Rector, Rev. G. J. D. Peters, and Rev. J. M. Davenport, were present. The Church was very tastefully decorated.

Much regret is felt that our lay reader will be leaving us in about two weeks. He has been a faithful watchman over the flock that has been committed to his care, he has been ever ready to visit the sick and dying, by his kindness and true Christian character has made himself beloved by all.

The Annual Sunday-school picnic comes off on Wednesday, the 7th.

DERBY.—The Most Reverend the Metropolitan, administered the rite of Confirmation in this parish on Friday 26th ult. A class of six was presented for this holy rite; a goodly number considering that last year there was confirmed here the largest number presented at any one time in the history of the parish. The Church was well filled and every one well pleased to see this aged Bishop among them once more. The altar was dressed in a new suit of vestments and the chancel adorned with banners; all a recent gift from the Kilburn Sisters. His Lordship was accompanied by Dean Forsyth, of Chatham. He was much pleased with all he saw and with his usual liberality donated \$25 towards reducing the debt incurred in making the late improvements upon the fabric of the Church. As an evidence of the good result of this Episcopal visit, the largest number present at Holy Communion at one time within the last ten years, partook of the sacred feast at the next celebration of the 4th inst.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

OBITUARY.—A veteran S.P.G. Missionary of the Diocese of Quebec, Rev. Wm. King, has just passed away at St. Sylvester, in his 87th year.

Mr. King was born in Canterbury, Kent, educated at Field Place Academy, under a Mr. Boreham, in Stone, Staffordshire; lived in Folkstone; was Sunday-school teacher in St. Ann's, Black Friars, London; was connected in 1827 with the firm of Hughes & Tomlinson, London. He offered his services to the Newfound'ld and B. N. A. School Society, now the Colonial Church and School Society; was married in 1828 to Mary Ann daughter of Rev. James Hyde Wivenhoe, Essex. In the same year was appointed a Catechist, and Superintendent of the Society's Schools in Newfoundland. After 10 years duty he returned to England on leave of absence and whilst there volunteered to go to Canada and

was appointed over the Society's Schools in Sherbrooke and Vicinity in 1839. Held that office until the appointment as general Superintendent of Mr. Bond, now Bishop Bond of Montreal. He was ordained Deacon in 1840 at Sherbrooke with Mr. Willoughby and Mr. Broome, by Bishop Mountain; admitted to Priests orders during the same year in the Cathedral Quebec with Mr. Manning. First appointed to Mission of Bury, and after 6 years succeeded Mr. Manning in the extensive charge of St. Sylvester, St. Giles and other parts. Continued this missionary work 36 years, for 6 of which he was Rural Dean of the District. He retired from active work in 1882.

Mr. King leaves a widow and four sons. The second son George remains with his aged mother. The eldest, Dr. William, lives at the same place; and of the other two Rev. Ernest King is Principal of the Academy Cote St. Antoine, and the youngest is practising medicine at Compton.

COMPTON.—This Parish is a Historic one, dating back to the time when the Hon. and Rev. C. Stewart, afterwards Bishop of Quebec, was the pioneer of the whole District. The latest event was the consecration of the new Church on the 2nd inst. A very happy day to all who took part. The Church, unique in style of architecture in this Diocese, is really beautiful to the eye and enchanting to the soul in harmony of all parts and appliances for the sacred purposes intended, as was remarked by the Bishop when thanks were tendered for his coming from Quebec for the occasion "that he would be most happy to make a special visit anywhere in the Diocese when the congregation presented so complete and beautiful a Church for consecration." The site is very commanding being the one selected originally for the first Church built in the Parish more than half a century ago. This Church was taken down and the materials used in the construction of a second Church in the more central portion of the Village about the year 1852. My recollections of the original Church are indistinct, as I attended Divine Service there only once at a confirmation by the late Bishop Mountain forty years ago. It was a building worthy of all praise considering the difficulties the few Church members had to contend with. One sad event connected with the erection at that time was the death of one of the men from a piece of material falling from the roof upon his head. Nothing occurred in the construction of the new Church to cast any gloom upon the occasion, and the harmony which ever existed among the members of the Building Committee was a subject of congratulation by the Rev. Mr. Parker, Rector of the Parish. 15 of the neighboring clergy, one from the Diocese of Vermont, were present. These with some of the Lennoxville Students were the choir very ably led by Mr. Wentworth Petry of Quebec as organist. The Rev. Dr. Roe, of Bishop's College, preached the sermon as Chaplain. A very sumptuous dinner was spread in the Class-room of Compton Ladies' College to which a general invitation was extended to all present. After dinner congratulatory speeches were the order for a time in which the Bishop, Clergy and Laity took part. Representatives of most of the Original Church Families in Compton were present among others, Messrs. Cochrane father and son who in addition to \$5000 towards the endowment of the Parish contributed fully one half of the cost of the new Church, and among those of comparatively later date Mr. Judah Church-warden has praise by his zeal in the work. The first service after Consecration was Confirmation administered the same evening at which I regret my being unable to attend.

[Since receiving the foregoing, another correspondent has forwarded these additional particulars.]

On Friday, September 2, the new Church was consecrated by the style and title of The Church of St. James the Less, by the Lord

Bishop of the Diocese. It is a handsome wood building and fitted to accommodate some 200 persons, and designed by the late Donald Black, Esq., of Boston, a pupil of the celebrated Street. The interior of the Church is beautifully finished in ash. The altar is well raised on seven steps and furnished with dossal in green and gold; an exquisite white altar cloth, brass cross, candlesticks, and vases. Choir seats are provided for a choir of twenty voices. No effort has been spared to render the edifice and its appointment worthy of His service to whom it is now dedicated. The altar furniture and hangings, &c., are gifts to the parish. The parish is now in possession of a Church, with perhaps one exception the most handsome in the Diocese. At 10.30, a large number of Clergy and the Bishop assembled in the Hall of the Compton Ladies College, and having vested, marched in procession headed by the two Churchwardens J. A. Lockman, Esq., and E. W. Judah, Esq., to the Church, singing the Litany of the Holy Ghost No. 470, Hymns A. & M. On arriving at the Church, J. A. Cochrane, Esq., read a petition praying the Bishop to consecrate the building, after which the procession moved up the Church saying the 24th Psalm; this concluded, the Bishop standing before the altar solemnly consecrated the building and its furniture according to the forms ordered by the Provincial Synod. Matins followed, being taken by the Rev. G. H. Parker, rector of the Parish, and the Rev. J. M. Thompson of Danville. The first lesson was read by the Rev. J. Hooper, rector of Newport, Vermont. The second by the Rev. J. Hepburn. The Rev. Professor Roe, D.D., preached the sermon which was a mastery exposition of the meaning of the service of consecration. After matins there was a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the Lord Bishop being the celebrant, the Rev. Rural-Dean Reid, D.C.L., and the Rev. Principal Adams, D.C.L., acting as Deacons and sub-Deacons; the Rev. Prof. Roe, D.D., acted as Bishop's Chaplain. After the service a lunch was provided in the Hall of the Compton Ladies College to which some 150 sat down. After lunch, speeches were made by the Rector of the Parish, the Bishop, the Revs. Dr. Roe, Adams, Hooper, Thompson, and the Hon. M. H. Cochrane, and A. C. Kollam, Esq. At 5.30. Evensong was said by the Rev. A. J. Balfour, rector of Richmond. The first lesson was read by the Rev. J. Hepburn, the second by the Rev. R. W. Colston. Immediately after evensong, the Rector presented nine young people for the Apostolic rite of Confirmation. It seemed peculiarly fitting that this day of Holy joy and thankfulness should be ended by the admission of these young people to the full privileges of membership in the Holy Catholic Church. It must have been a day of great joy to the Rector of the Parish, a day in which he was permitted by God to present for consecration to God's service not only a material temple but also living temples. The following clergy were present:—The Rev. Rural-Dean Reid, D.C.L., Rev. Principal Adams, D.C.L., Rev. Prof. Roe, D.D., the Revs. A. C. Scarth, M.A., Rector of Lennoxville; Geo. Thornloe, M.A., Rector of Sherbrooke; A. J. Balfour, M.A., Rector of Richmond; Joseph Hooper, Rector of Newport, Vermont; J. M. Thompson, Danville; J. Hepburn, M.A., Magog; Thos. Ball, M.A., Brompton; A. Stevens, M.A., Hatley; J. Robertson, Hatley; C. Washer, Dixville; A. Watkins, Newfoundland; R. W. Colston, M.A., Westbury.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

CHURCH EMIGRATION SOCIETY.—A branch of this Society has been organized in Montreal. A meeting was held in the vestry-room of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Monday afternoon, the 5th inst, at which a large and influential number of ladies attended; and were addressed by Rev. Canon Cooper who explained the nature of the work branch societies were