

satisfactory in the opinion of the experts engaged to award the contract. Clinton Meneely's firm have during the past twelve months cast no less a number than eight hundred bells for different churches and Cathedrals in different parts of the world. The St. James' bells are to be completed by Easter Sunday, and when erected will be the finest chime in the Dominion of Canada.

ANNOUNCEMENT.—At a special meeting of the vestry of St. Paul's, Rev. Canon Robinson, M.A., read an extract of a recent letter from himself to the bishop of the diocese, in which he said:—A combination of circumstances seems to mark the present as a favorable time for me to retire after a term of active service extending over a period of nearly forty-two years. The church has just been renewed internally. The parsonage is practically ready for occupation. There is no debt upon the parish, there is an endowment fund of \$5,000. A subscription of \$300 a year is available for a clergyman's stipend. Of course I cannot sever a connection of over forty years standing without pangs of regret, but I need rest and I am confident that, in younger hands, there will be greater promise of success to the work which I have always had so much at heart. The Incumbent then officially notified the vestry of the impending vacancy in the pastorate, and suggested that immediate action be taken to fill it. The vestry having understood that the Rev. W. P. Chambers was unable to continue the extensive work at Bolton, and was about to resign that charge, a motion was made to secure his services. When about to put the motion the Incumbent was requested to vacate the chair in favor of Mr. George S. Mitchell, and the following resolution was carried: Moved by Mr. J. Roach, seconded by Mr. N. C. Fisk, "That the members of the vestry desire to place on record their sincere thanks to the Rev. Canon Robinson and family for their many acts of kindness and liberal support in all works connected with St. Paul's Church and its congregation, during the long period of his ministry extending over forty years in this parish, and that they may be spared long to live amongst us, ever enjoying health and happiness is our earnest wish. Carried with applause by a standing vote.

Church of St. John the Evangelist.—An enterprise both novel and noteworthy, has just been successfully brought to a completion by the ladies of this congregation, to aid in the liquidation of the debt on their Church. Their ingenuity and well applied energy has resulted in the publication of a book—achieving a work of real merit and of much value to the people of this country at large, not only to those who are in good health, but also to invalids. It will not be prejudicial to remark, that by means of this work, possibly many who suffer more or less from the stomachic disorders of others, may happily be relieved. This is not suggested by the compilers of the work, but no doubt from the commendation it has received, even in this respect, it will supply "a long felt want." The title of the book is "Clever Cooking for Careful Cooks." It was suggested by the wife of our heroic Bishop of Athabasca, on a recent visit from his Arctic diocese, so well did the recipes commend themselves to her. The book contains about 300 recipes, all well tried, some of them being more than a hundred years old. They have been contributed largely by various friends of the undertaking, who are ladies both competent and practiced in the Culinary Art. Attention is paid to simple recipes for Invalid cookery, some of these are from Miss Weekes' Handbook of Nursing. This lady is the authority on such matters in the Mass Hospital, Boston. One of the compilers of the book under notice is a member of the Boston School of Cookery. It may be mentioned that one of the recipes, signed "L. A. H.," a well known lady of Montreal, was given to the mother of the contributor by Lady Nelson and Bronte, wife of the hero of Trafalgar. There is also one, it is stated, by the Rector of St. John's, himself, it is a recipe for making chicken broth. This book is published by John Lovell & Son, Montreal, is well bound in cloth, and includes many blank pages for additional recipes, and is now in the hands of the booksellers at 60 cents per copy. The expenses of publication have already been met by private sales of the work, so that the proceeds of future sales may henceforth be devoted to the object for which it was published, viz., the liquidation of the debt on the Church, may this labour of love soon accomplish its good purpose.

Collected in the City of Toronto by Rev. Canon Rollit, for the Sabrevois Mission, November, 1888. Church of Ascension Sunday School, \$40; J. W. G. Whitney, \$25; St. James' Infant Class, (per G. Harcourt), Mrs. Neville, Hon. E. Blake, \$20 each.

The following \$10 each: J. K. Kerr, Q.C., F. Wyld, Geo. Gooderham, J. P. Clark, A. M. Cosby, Mrs. E. Baldwin, The Lord Bishop of Algoma, B. H. Dixon, as. R. Roof, R. T. Gooderham.

The following \$5 each: The Lord Bishop of Toronto, Trust & Loan Co., W. B. Simpson, Hon. John Macdonald, Beatty, Chadwick, Blackstock & Galt, A. B. Lee, John Kay, Sons & Co., Henry Pellatt, Lyman Bros & Co., F. W. Kingstone, E. Burch, John Bain, J. E. Berkely Smith, Rev. H. G. Baldwin, Walter S. Lee, Rev. A. Sanson, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Gooderham, W. G. Gooderham, R. Gilmor, A. H. Dewdney, Rev. Canon Dumoulin, W. H. Howland, Wm. and J. G. Greey, D. B. Wilkie, J. H. Macdonald, W. H. L. Gordon, N. W. Hoyle, J. L. Bird, Stapleton Caldecott, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Blackstock, Sir D. Macpherson, G. J. Cook, Rev. A. H. Baldwin, Miss F. A. Ball, W. H. Howitt, M.D., J. C. Fitch, F. Richardson, T. S. Stayner, James Campbell, Hon. G. W. Allan, Robt. Jenkins, Hon. Chief Justice Hagarty, W. B. Heward, A. Friend, Mrs. Smart, Alfred Gooderham, Mrs. S. Heward, Dr. G. A. Clark, Jos. J. Davies, A. S. Irving, H. O'B., Frank Cayley, Sir Daniel Wilson, H. L. Smith.

The following \$4 each: J. W. Gale, W. T. Boyd, R. G. Dalton, Mrs. Winn.

The following \$3 each: Grant Helliwell, J. A. Temple, M.D., W. H. Bleasdel, Robt. Parker.

The following \$2 each: Rowell & Hutchison, R. H. Gray, A. W. Grasset, Dr. T. L. Grasset, H. & C. Blachford, John Catto, Aikenhead & Crombie, Kivus Tully, O. A. Howland, W. G. Hannah, A. Boswell, R. N. Gooch, Geo. Musson, F. Marriott, R. H. Tomlinson, A. McLean Howard, Col. Grasset, T.L., H. Thorne, John Kerr, W. P. Atkinson, Lady Wilson, H. C. Dixon, F. E. Hodgins, J. Herbert Mason, T. Woodhouse, W. A. Wilson, W. W. Keighley, Stanway & Bailey, E. T. Carter, H. C. Boomer, C. R. W. Biggar, Thos. Hodgins, Q.C., S. B. Brush, Warwick & Sons, Geo. Hastings, J. P. Russell, M.D., Mrs. Thomas, Miss Thomas, Wm. Roaf, Mrs. Strachan, Morgan Baldwin, Wm. Hewitt, Page & Page, Miss Ross, C. E. Fleming, A. J. Parker, Hon. S. C. Wood, Mrs. Medcalf, R. Y. Ellis, John Sanson, J. Massey, W. G. Storm, A. Friend, John Smith, Mrs. Geo. Murphy, Geo. M. Evans.

The following \$1 each: A. Wilson, A. Friend, Mrs. Wm. Boulton, J. B. Fitzsimmons, H. B. Charlesworth, J. T. Rolph, A. Friend, W. J. Sommerville & Co., C. Marriott, H. W. Evans, Mrs. Dr. Cameron, Jas. Crowther, T. R. Clougher, R. H. Temple, Jas. Aikins, T. D. Delamere, Thos. McLean, C. Brongh, Mrs. J. Bacon, John Glanville, Miss L. Thomas, Miss C. Jarvis, Miss Tilley, C. O. Strange, W. A. Sims, R. C. Bickerstaff, T. F. Blackwood, R. Dunbar, T. H. George, Mrs. Blain, C. Greene, Norman Sanson, R. D. Sanson, Mrs. J. R. Lee, Joseph Russell Sr., Joseph Russell Jr., H. S. Howland Jr., J. F. Merrett, C. Langley, Col. F. C. Denison, J. H. G. Hagarty, Hugh Leach, W. McBroom, A. Friend, Mrs. J. Cooke, J. T. Jones, C. G. Hanning, Thos. McIlroy, Dr. Hodgins, W. R. Strickland, B.J., J. Lockhart, Ven. Archdeacon Boddy, Mrs. Paul Kane, C. A. Pison, Mrs. Lea, 50c., Miss Davis, 25c. Total \$692.75.

ONTARIO.

PRESCOTT.—The Christmas decorations of St. John's Church, Rev. W. Lewin, Incumbent, were very chaste and appropriate, accented, instead of observing the vicinity of the edifice as is but too often the case. Amongst other matters reported concerning this town, where good work seems to be carried on by the clergy and people, we learn that the Thanksgiving collection, (being the amounts taken up on that day and the following Sunday), was but little less than four hundred dollars, the sums collected on the Wednesday and Friday evenings during Advent, were devoted to Foreign Missions, the Sunday School collection on the first Sunday in each month is set apart for Domestic Missions, and an active branch of the W. A. is now in its fourth year of work. A young Women's Guild is found a great help parochially, (the Christmas decorations being a part of their duty), and a children's Miss Guild lately formed is flourishing, also a Society for young men, and a Bible Class conducted by Rev. F. D. Woodcock, Curate. Rev. Mr. Lewin and his assistant are holding weekly services at the Blue Church. Augusta, an old historic locality, the resting place of many U. E. Loyalists, and about four miles from Prescott.

BATH.—Sunday School Entertainment.—A very successful and interesting Sunday School entertainment was held in the Town Hall, Bath, on Wednesday the 9th inst. The central feature was a boat on the platform with sailor lads on deck and sails up. The sails were covered with every kind of gift objects for the children and also for the teachers. These were in due time presented by Santa Claus, who was cleverly personated by the Rector's eldest son, who was dressed as the venerable saint looks in pictures. This, however, was not the only attraction of the entertainment. There were Anthems by the Choir, hymns and carols by the scholars, and recitations, which were all ren-

dered in a highly creditable manner. The organist was Mr. Hart, a talented musician, who is at present residing in Bath, and has taken a great interest in the musical portion of the Church services. The organ was a new and beautiful instrument, purchased by the congregation of St. John's Church. The evening closed with a surprise presentation to the Rector and his Lady of a pair of bronze images for the mantel piece, representing Crusaders in full armour. This token of good will to the worthy recipients by the parishioners was received with much feeling and gratification. The Rector is to be congratulated on his flourishing Sunday School, on the number of willing helpers he has, especially among the ladies, and at the good feeling and harmony prevailing in the parish.

PERTH.—St. James' Church.—The Church people of Perth are to be congratulated on the virtual completion of what must certainly be regarded as one of the most ecclesiastical structures in Ontario, whether we consider its elegant exterior or its beautiful church-like interior. The type of architecture adopted is that of the early decorated, and the details of the building are carried out with great consistency. St. James' Church was completed with the exception of the tower and spire, and opened for divine worship on November 14th, 1861. The magnificent gift of \$5 450 from Peter McLaren, Esq., enabled the congregation to carry to completion the tower and spire from designs furnished by Messrs. Darling & Curry, of Toronto, in November last. This happy epoch in the history of this Church was inaugurated by special sermons preached by the Rev. Prof. Clark, of Trinity College, Toronto, in the Festival of the Epiphany, when, notwithstanding the unfavourable weather, good congregations were present and liberal offerings were given. At the Morning service the preacher took as his text, S. Matt. ii. 4 part of the Gospel for the Epiphany. In the course of an eloquent discourse delivered without notes, Prof. Clark asked "How could those who understood the greatness and the dignity of divine service be satisfied with the mean surroundings, which some persons seem to regard as the fitting accompaniments of the worship of God. When people spoke of the needless expenditure on the House of Prayer, they forgot that they had been anticipated by Judas Iscariot, who asked, "To what purpose is this waste?" when Mary of Bethany poured the precious ointment upon the head of Iscariot. That act of sacrifice had no tangible practical utility, yet it was approved by Christ as an expression of adoring love, and as a power that would influence others; and so now our Lord accepted the offerings of His people and blessed them to the forwarding of His work upon earth. The evening service was based upon words taken from the 2nd Lesson. The text chosen was St. John ii. 6, "Whatsoever He saith unto you do it." As the congregations listened attentively to the eloquent preacher they felt that the words spoken by him, were calculated to build them up in the faith and fear of God, and that they were not words, the mere extemporizing of the moment, but the matured words of a cultured divine, logician and theologian. In the evening of Monday a well attended meeting was held in the basement of the Church, on behalf of the Convocation of Trinity College, Toronto. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. Professors Symonds and Clark. Immediately after the close of the proceedings a number of those present enrolled themselves associate members of Convocation. On Tuesday evening a large and most appreciative audience again filled the basement of the Church, to listen to a charming and most eloquent lecture, delivered by the Rev. Prof. Clark on Kingsley's "Water Babies." On the following Sunday evening, January 13th, the Annual Missionary Meeting was held. The deputation: the Rev. Rural Dean Bogart and Dr. Smythe addressed a large congregation in St. James' Church, and in eloquent and persuasive language exhorted them to increased liberality in the support of the diocesan missions. The offering at the close amounted to \$38 50. On Christmas Day the services in this Church were well attended. There were two celebrations of the Holy Communion, at 8 a.m. and at midday, the greater number of communicants were present at the early celebration. The offertory—given to the Rector, the Rev. R. L. Stephenson, amounted to \$107.87. On the following week the members of the Guild of St. James', presented the organist and lay reader, Mr. A. E. Clay, of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, with the sum of \$29.

TORONTO.

Canon Knox-Little at St. James' Church.—The citizens of Toronto have much reason to thank Canon Dumoulin and the Wardens of St. James' Church for their kindness in placing the pulpit of this edifice for the use of Canon Knox-Little. Several times, at mid-day and on Sunday last, at 4 p.m., this large Church was jammed to the doors by a congregation