

The preacher's discourse was eloquent,
 The organ in finest tone,
 But the most impressive sermon heard
 Was preached by a humble stone.
 'Twas a lesson of lowliness and worth
 That lodged in many a heart;
 And the church preserves that sacred stone,
 That the truth may not depart.

PARISH NOTES.

—OFFERTORY.—August 6th, \$15.23; 13th, \$26.15; 20th, \$21.95; 27th, \$27.13; total \$90.46. For corresponding period last year \$93.93. After this the amount required weekly will be \$50.

—THE Rev. C. P. Emery, D. D., Rector of Kemptville, in the Diocese of Ontario, who preached in St. George's on 13th August and conducted the services in the absence of the Rector on 20th August, was Assistant Minister in this Parish for some years during the incumbency of the late Rev. Dr. Lett.

NEW CHANCEL.

When the Church was resented about six years ago the plan of improvements then intended included the deepening of the Chancel, but this part of the scheme was abandoned for want of funds. About two years later a design for this alteration was prepared and exhibited at a meeting of the Vestry, where it was very generally approved, but the Churchwardens did not then feel warranted in proposing to take any action with regard to it. The matter has, however, been lately again much discussed; and it is hoped that we may be able to take it up, and find means of making this great improvement in our Church. The design proposes the removal of the east wall of the Chancel, and the erection of an apse or pentagonal continuation of the present walls to a depth of about fifteen feet. Instead of the one east window there would be five, the design of which would be similar to the present one, each of the five being in fact a part of the present one. This rearrangement of the window would enable the glass in it to be used to much greater advantage than at present, besides separating the different lights composing it, which are gifts from various sources, and grouping them so that each gift would be in a separate window. If the proposal meets with the encouragement which is expected, it is intended at the same time to make an effort to arrange for decorating the interior of the Church, which is certainly much needed.

PARISH REGISTER.

BAPTISMS.

- August 1.—George s. of William and Sarah Corker.
 " 6.—Elizabeth d. of William and Mary Giles.
 " 6.—Margaret-Eleanor-May d. of Robert and Ann Johnston.
 " 6.—Mildred-Margaret d. of John and Margaret Fisher.
 " 6.—Emily-Elizabeth d. of Thomas and Emily Ryder,
 " 6.—George-Robert s. of James and Annie Inglis.
 " 6.—Thomas-Blakeley s. of James and Annie Inglis.