

FOREIGN.

The French Government has condemned for demolition the Chapelle Expiatoire, erected in 1826, in memory of Louis XVI. and Marie Antoinette.

JERUSALEM.—An English paper, the *Rock*, says:—The German Emperor has communicated to Her Majesty's Government his readiness to nominate a clergyman for the See of Jerusalem, which has so long been vacant.

A new mission station of the McAll Mission has been opened at historic Nantes. The expenses sustained will be borne partly by the Church at Nantes, and partly by the McAll Committee. This joint method of work seems likely to be used in the future.

Mr. Moody, on passing through Paris on his way to Pau, to join his family to spend the Christmas week with them, was met by a number of pastors and missionaries, who came to felicitate him on his work. He said that if he could preach in French, he would devote his energies to the evangelisation of France.

The Hungarian Government have introduced and carried through the Lower House a Bill authorizing the marriage of Jews and Christians, which form of marriage was hitherto interdicted. The Upper House has rejected the project, but it is to be referred to them again.

One of the most important publications recently issued by the German press, is the work of the Old Catholic Professor in Bonn, Dr. F. H. Reusch, on the "Index of Prohibited Books." Volume One contains valuable contributions, by Dollinger, and the whole work is of the greatest importance for the history of the Reformation and its literature.

The visit of the German Crown Prince to the Pope is regarded as one of significance in Europe. The Berlin correspondent of the *London Times* says the interview denotes a "decided turning point in the relations between the Church of Rome and the Prussian Government." It is well known that the Emperor desires to have the conflict off his hands before he leaves the Empire to his son. The speech from the throne at the opening of the Diet said nothing about the *culturkampf*. The omission roused the Ultramontane Party, and Herr Windhurst proceeded to draw up a bill for restoring to the Constitution the clause struck out of it when the *culturkampf* was begun. This bill is shortly to be discussed, unless, indeed, it is to be withdrawn, on account of the favorable attitude of the Government as revealed in the visit of the Prince to the Vatican. The Liberal press of Germany regard this incident very unfavorably. Nor do they like the restoration of Dr. Blum to the bishopric of Limburg. He was one of the most obstinate victims of the May Laws.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Letter from the Bishop of Algoma, received too late for this issue.

Home News.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received during the week ending January 18th, 1884:—MISSION FUND.—*Thanksgiving Collection*—Cameron, St. George's, 54 cents; Cambray, \$2.17; St. Thomas' 50 cents; Credit, St. Peter's, \$15.12; St. John's, \$3.21; Trinity, \$5.56; Woodbridge, \$10.00; Oakridges, \$4.33. *Thanksgiving Offering*—J. J. Pritchard, \$1.00. *July Collection*—(Cameron) Coboconk, 58 cents; Head Lake, 87 cents. *January Collection*—York Mills, \$2.50; Port Perry, \$5.00; Aurora, \$10.10; Oakridges, \$8.56. FOREIGN MISSIONS.—St. Anne's, Toronto, \$19.00; St. John's, Toronto, \$15.50; do. for Zenana Mission, 50 cents; York Mills, \$2.00; St. Stephen's, Toronto, \$19.73; Port Perry, \$2.75; St. George's, Toronto, \$82.60; Mulmur, \$5.24; do. for Church Missionary Society, \$2.00. PAROCHIAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—*Mission Fund*—Albion and Caledon, \$4.00; Cambray, 75 cents; St. Paul's, Toronto, \$1.40; Etobicoke, St. George's, \$6.20; Christ Church, \$3.55; Barrie, \$15.48; York Mills, \$7.00. Toronto, St. Peter's—Diocesan, \$84.00; Domestic, \$42.00; Foreign, \$14.00. WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*October Collection*—Sunderland and West Brock, \$3.00; Cameron, St. Thomas', 50 cents; Head Lake and Coboconk, \$1.45; St. John's, 72 cents.

The erection of an Anglican church on the Island, to bear the name of St. Andrew, will be proceeded with next summer. A meeting was held at the Synod office on Wednesday afternoon, the Bishop of Toronto presiding, to make the necessary arrangements. The estimated cost is \$1,400. Messrs. J. S. McMurray, E. M. Chadwick, H. Thorne, and R. L. Cowan were appointed a Building and Finance Committee.—*The Mail*.

The new Church of St. Philip's, at the corner of Spadina-avenue and St. Patrick-street, was opened for divine service last Sunday. The church was commenced on the 2nd of May last year, having thus been not more than eight months in construction. The width of the building is 64 feet and length 101, the seating capacity affording accommodation to fully a thousand persons. The dimensions of the chancel are 16 feet by 33. The tower is on the north end of the church, and will after a time be surmounted by a spire, the height to the summit of which will be 130 feet. A basement ten feet high extends under the entire building. The church is plain French gothic in design, and is built of red brick, with Ohio stone dressings, relieved with black brick. The interior is finished in blocked stucco, with jambs to arches, windows, and doors. The ceiling is painted pale blue, with panels of pink, having brown stencil flowers in the centre and at the corners. There are six perfect gothic arches on each side supporting the clerestory walls; these are sprung from neat cast-iron columns twelve inches in diameter and twelve feet high. Each clerestory wall is pierced by six windows of stained glass, placed at regular intervals apart, and lighting the upper part of the church to perfection. The church is divided into four main portions—the nave, chancel, and two aisles. There are six large gothic windows on either side of the building, piercing the aisle walls, two windows at the rear end, and a beautiful set of triplet windows in the east end lighting the chancel. The largest light in the chancel windows measures 21 feet in height. The nave is divided from the chancel by a fine gothic arch measuring forty feet in height and twenty-four in width. The vestry is fitted up with all modern conveniences, and opens into the chancel. There are four main entrances, two on Spadina-avenue and two on St. Patrick-street, with a private entrance to the vestry. There are three stairways from the basement to the church, and two exits from the basement into the street. This makes altogether seven exits, so that in case of fire or panic a large congregation might rapidly and safely disperse. The cost of the church is \$15,000 or \$16,000, of which sum two-thirds remains yet to be subscribed.

The parish of St. Philip's was set apart from St. John's parish in September, 1875, being all that part of the latter parish lying north of Queen-street. The services were commenced in a small cottage occupying the site of the present church, and in June, 1876, the already thriving congregation removed into the brick building on St. Patrick-street, adjacent to the new structure, and to be used as a school-room. The first rector was the Rev. G. H. Moxon, now of Sundon, Beds, England. The work begun so admirably by him was faithfully and successfully carried on by the Rev. J. S. Stone, now of St. Martin's, Montreal, and at his removal by the present rector, the Rev. J. F. Sweeny, whose pastorate dates from December, 1882, and who has succeeded in building up one of the most thriving and prosperous churches in Toronto. The building of the new church was contemplated some considerable time before it was taken in hand, the congregation having long since outgrown the accommodation afforded by the school-house. A building committee was formed with Ald. George Evans, church warden as chairman, and Messrs. Mortimer, Telfer, Trent, Smith, Murray, Heaslip Easton, Jones, Aicheson, Dixon, and Shanklin as active members thereof. Great credit is due to the committee, and especially to the chairman, for the prompt and business-like manner in which they have prosecuted the work entrusted to them.

The congregations at both morning and evening services were very large. The morning preacher was the Bishop of Toronto, who founded his sermon on Haggai, ii. 9:—"The glory of this latter house shall be greater than that of the former, saith the Lord." In the course of his sermon the right rev. preacher gave a brief review of the history of the parish and congregation, and congratulated the pastor upon the erection of so fine an edifice. The Bishop continued:—"And I must express my own deep thankfulness to God for the further evidence given us here-of the prosperity and extension of our beloved Church in this city. This is the fourth new church in the rural deanery of Toronto which I have been called upon to open during the brief term of my episcopate, in addition to two churches in the city which have been enlarged to double their

former capacity." In conclusion, the preacher reminded his hearers that their work is very far from being completed. It would be obvious to them, he said, that there yet remained much work to be done to complete the church for service. It had been so constructed that scope was left for the expenditure of additional labour on ornamentation, etc., and this would probably be proceeded with when the heavy debt which yet remained on the church should be paid off. He trusted the energy they had shown in the past would continue in the future, and that they would discharge themselves of this debt speedily, and not allow it for years and years to be a drag upon them.

The Rector preached at the evening service from Neh. iv. 6, "Go build me the wall; for the people had a mind to work." The discourse was of a practical character, appropriate to the occasion, and urging upon the congregation the necessity of activity and persevering hard work if they would maintain their church in its present prosperous condition.

We would renew our congratulations to the Rector and parish, and express our earnest hope that this new departure in the history of the parish may be marked by a corresponding growth in the spiritual progress and prosperity of their church, without which the material benefit will be worse than useless.

Next Sunday special sermons will be preached, in the morning by the Ven. Archdeacon Boddy, M.A., and in the evening by the Rev. Canon Du Moulin, M.A. On Sunday the 17th of Feb., the Rev. J. S. Stone, B.D., Rector of St. Martin's Church, Montreal, will preach both morning and evening. Mr. Stone's many attached friends in Toronto will extend to him a very hearty welcome.

OMEMEE.—The congregation of Christ Church on Thursday evening, the 24th, presented Miss Allie Stephenson, for seven years organist of the church, with a gold watch, as a slight token of their appreciation of her generous and self-sacrificing services. The presentation was made by Messrs. Curry, Adams, and McNeely, churchwardens and delegates to Synod, on behalf of the subscribers, and the address was delivered by the Rector, Dr. Smithett.

WYEBRIDGE AND WAVERLEY.—The Annual Missionary Meetings were held in three stations in this Mission on Thursday, the 24th inst. Although in two of them day meetings were necessarily held, namely Allenwood at 11 A.M., and Waverley 3.30 P.M., yet the attendance was good and the meetings a decided success every way. The evening meeting was held in the Church of Good Shepherd, Wyebriidge, at 7.30, when 70 or 80 people were present. Prayers were read in each place by the incumbent, who also gave a brief statement showing that there had been a steady increase the past two years in the amount sent from the Mission to the Mission Fund. The Rev. E. Daniel, B.A., of Craighurst, was unfortunately unable to attend and address the two day meetings, as he had promised, but the Missionary Secretary, Rev. W. F. Campbell, gave most interesting and instructive addresses in all three places. Mr. Campbell is a most pleasing and able speaker, and has undoubtedly done much here to stir up a missionary spirit among the people, having interested them deeply in the cause. In Wyebriidge the Rev. R. S. Radcliffe, of Pentanguishene, also spoke, and delivered a most earnest address. This mission has been very faithfully and successfully worked up by the Rev. O. G. Dobbs, M.A., who is a graduate of Wycliffe College.

BARRIE.—The pulpit of Trinity Church was filled on Sunday morning last by the Rev. Mr. Campbell, diocese missionary agent. His discourse was a plain, straightforward, earnest appeal for the support of the mission work, on the grounds of it being essential to the very life of the church. He laid special stress on its importance in laying the foundation of this new and great nation, of which we are privileged to form a part.

PENETANGUISHENE.—The Annual Missionary Meeting was held in All Saints Church, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 23rd. The attendance, though by no means so good as it ought to have been, (partly owing to the absence from town of some prominent members), was nevertheless an improvement on other years, owing to the energy of the present incumbent, the Rev. R. S. Radcliffe, B.A. The speakers were the Rev. O. G. Dobbs, M.A., of Wyebriidge, and the Rev. W. F. Campbell, Missionary Secretary. Mr. Campbell is a most effective speaker, and gave an interesting account of the great Missionary work being carried on by the Church of England.

CRAIGHURST AND VESPRE.—On Sunday, 20th inst., Rev. W. F. Campbell paid his first visit to this mission