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## Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

### DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

Two new organs have been imported this year from England, for Chapels in Quebec. One for the Chapel of the Holy Trinity within the walls, served by the Rev. E. W. Sowel, the other for St. Mathew's Free Chapel in St. John's Suburbs, served by the Rev. H. Roe, one of the Curates of the Parish. The latter organ was first used on the 12th of August, and the Bishop preached upon the occasion, from Ps. xliii. 3, 4 the sermon being followed by a collection towards the expenses of putting the organ up. Both organs are of excellent tone and manufacture.

A beautiful stone Font, from the hand of Rowo, at Exeter, England, has recently been presented by the Rev. Official Mackie, D.D., to the Chapel at Silleri in the Parish of Quebec. (This Chapel not being yet consecrated on account of some debt lying upon it, has not formally received any name. It is licensed for Divine Service.) The Chapel, in the first pointed style, stands at the head, in correctness and ecclesiastical effect, of the edifices of the Diocese, and the same place may be assigned among Fonts to the present of Dr. Mackie. It is designed as a memorial of the donor's brother, Major Mackie of the British Army, who died of Cholera at Varna, while serving with the armies in the East, and it is encircled by an inscription in the old black letter character, carrying his initials and the date of his decease, together with the text, 1 Timothy, vi. 12.

A similar gift, sent out in the same vessel, has been made by the Rev. Principal Nicolls, to the Church at Watterville, which was for a considerable time served by that gentleman.

### DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

#### CHURCH SOCIETY'S OFFICE,

7th November, 1855.

A meeting of the Central Branch of the Church Society was held this month—the Lord Bishop in the chair.

An abstract of the Treasurer's account was laid before the meeting, from which it appears that the following sums have been received since the last meeting:—

|                                     |    |    |   |
|-------------------------------------|----|----|---|
| Subscriptions from Rev. E. DuVernet | £1 | 17 | 0 |
| “ Edward Coyle                      | 0  | 2  | 6 |
| “ at Bromo                          | 25 | 6  | 0 |
| “ of M. H. Sanborn                  | 0  | 10 | 0 |
| “ of Mrs. Sanborn                   | 0  | 10 | 0 |
| “ of Rev. H. Montgomery             | 1  | 17 | 6 |
| “ at Sutton                         | 1  | 18 | 6 |
| “ of Dr. Holmes                     | 2  | 10 | 0 |
| Collection at Henryville            | 0  | 15 | 0 |
| “ Stanbridge East                   | 3  | 16 | 3 |
| “ Granby                            | 1  | 9  | 6 |

The following collections have been paid to the Treasurer for the Widows and Orphans' Fund since the last report:—

|               |    |    |    |                     |    |    |    |
|---------------|----|----|----|---------------------|----|----|----|
| Aylmer        | £2 | 15 | 0  | Bromo               | 0  | 16 | 6  |
| Buckingham    | 1  | 5  | 0  | Cathedral           | 23 | 0  | 0  |
| Phillipsburg  | 2  | 5  | 7  | Clarenceville       | 3  | 0  | 0  |
| Lachée        | 8  | 15 | 0  | Abbotsford          | 3  | 16 | 0  |
| Goro          | 1  | 0  | 0  | Sabrevals           | 3  | 15 | 0  |
| Coteau du Lac | 2  | 7  | 10 | Phillipsburg        | 1  | 5  | 0  |
| Sutton        | 1  | 3  | 6  | Granby              | 1  | 6  | 10 |
| Vaughan       | 1  | 5  | 0  | Waterloo            | 2  | 16 | 10 |
| Sorel         | 3  | 19 | 0  | St. Stephen's and   |    |    |    |
| Bedford       | 1  | 6  | 0  | Sheds               | 7  | 17 | 6  |
| St. John's    | 0  | 0  | 0  | Fredericburg        | 2  | 15 | 0  |
| Henryville    | 1  | 2  | 8  | St. George's, Mont- |    |    |    |
| Chambly       | 5  | 0  | 0  | real                | 28 | 0  | 0  |
| Edwardstown   | 0  | 9  | 31 |                     |    |    |    |

EDWARD J. ROGERS, Secretary.

In accordance with the directions issued by the Lord Bishop of Montreal to the clergy of this diocese, in his circular letter of the 10th instant, thanksgivings were offered up in all the places of worship in connection with the Church of England, on Sunday last, in acknowledgment of God's mercies to us, as experienced by all classes, in the abundance of the recent harvest, and also for the successes which have been granted to our armies in the present war. Collections were made in aid of various charitable and religious objects. The attendance at morning service, at the Cathedral and St. George's Church, in this city, was very large. At the former, where Archdeacon Lower preached, forty pounds were collected; and at the latter, after a sermon from the Lord Bishop, the sum of twenty-nine pounds was collected, both of which sums will be applied in aid of charges on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund in connection with the Diocesan Church Society. In the afternoon, the bishop held his triennial confirmation for the city, at the cathedral. We never remember to have seen so large a congregation assembled there, except on the occasion of the Duke of Wellington's funeral, when all the other churches were closed during the day. All the city clergy were in attendance, and in consequence of the careful arrangements which were made, the greatest order and regularity were observed; and the candi-

dates, who seemed generally much impressed with the serious nature of the service, came forward and retired without any confusion. Notwithstanding the withdrawal of the military, who furnished ninety-six of the candidates on the last occasion, the total number now presented were rather in excess of those who then received this holy rite of the church, showing us the bishop remarked in his address, “a very considerable and decided increase in the ordinary general body of the church in this city, and he hoped that this was a token that the work of the church had not been neglected during the last three years; that the ministers had been zealous, and the people attentive; and that where they, as ministers, had been planting and watering, God had given an increase.” The numbers presented for confirmation, from the several congregations, were as follows:—

|               | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|---------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Cathedral     | 40     | 65       | 105    |
| St. George's  | 31     | 55       | 86     |
| St. Stephen's | 8      | 17       | 25     |
| St. Luke's    | 8      | 17       | 25     |
| Trinity       | 1      | 3        | 4      |
| Garrison      | 1      | 4        | 5      |
|               | 89     | 161      | 250    |

The bishop has also recently visited and held confirmations, as below, at the following places.—

|                    | Males. | Fem. | Tot. |                   |
|--------------------|--------|------|------|-------------------|
| Sept. 30, Sunday,  |        |      |      |                   |
| A.M., Longueuil,   | 2      | 5    | 7    | Rev. R. Lonsdell. |
| P.M., Laprairie,   | 6      | 5    | 11   |                   |
| Oct. 14, Sunday,   |        |      |      |                   |
| St. Hyacinthe,     | 2      | 1    | 3    | Rev. J. Godden.   |
| Oct. 15, Upton,    | 8      | 4    | 12   |                   |
| Oct. 17,           |        |      |      |                   |
| A.M., Sou. Roxton, | 2      | 7    | 9    | Rev. G. Slack.    |
| P.M., Milton,      | 1      | 6    | 6    |                   |

On the occasion of the bishop's visit to St. Hyacinthe, the building recently erected by the little congregation heretofore assembling in the Court-house, was opened for the first time for the celebration of divine service.—Com.

### DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

#### CHURCH SOCIETY.

At the meeting of the Society on the 6th October, the following grants were voted:

A set of service books for the use of the Church at Franktown, on application of the Rev. R. Lewis.

Books and Tracts to the value of £2 10s.

for distribution in the mission of Mersea, on application of the Rev. J. Kennedy.

A set of service books for the Church at Enniskillen, on application of the Rev. Dr. MacNab.

A set of service books for the Church at Cartwright, on application of the Rev. W. Logan.

A set of service books for the Church at Vankleek's Hill, West Hawkesbury, on application of the Rev. R. L. Stephenson.

A set of service books for the Church of Westminster, on application of the Rev. S. Geo. Caulfield.

The sum of £12 10s. on application of the Rev. S. B. Ardagh, so soon as the General Purposes Fund can afford it, towards the re-building of the parsonage at Shanty Bay.

The Rev. Adam Townley and Mrs. Elizabeth Townley were elected life members in consequence of the lot of land given by them as an endowment of the Township of Nottawasaga.

At a meeting of the Society, held on the 16th November, the following grants were made:

Set of service books for the Church at Stratford, on application of the Rev. E. Patterson.

£12 10s. towards the re-building of St. Paul's Church, Kingston, so soon as the General Purpose Fund will afford it.

The Secretary read a report of several lots of land visited by him this summer, and the recommendations of the local committee founded on it. The Society agreed to all the recommendations, and the following resolution was passed:

Moved by the Rev. Dr. Lett, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Beaven,—That the society are much pleased with the detailed account of the lots recently visited by the secretary, which he has just read. The society further recommend that the secretary do, as far as his time will allow, continue his labors in the personally inspecting the lands of the society.

Moved by Dr. Lett, seconded by Dr. Beaven,—That a committee be now appointed to enquire into, and report on, the mode adopted in the issuing the licences to celebrate marriages without publication of banns, which the Clergy of the Diocese are in the habit of receiving, and on the authority on which said licenses are thus issued, and also to enquire, and if necessary, to take legal advice whether the Lord Bishop of the Diocese has not authority vested in him in virtue of his episcopal office to issue a licence to any of his own clergy to celebrate a marriage without the publication of banns, mentioned in the book of Common Prayer; and that Dr. Beaven, Mr. Harman, and Revds. D. E. Blake, C. Cooper and the mover, be the committee.

The following gentlemen were balloted

for and declared elected members of the society:

S. Price, John H. Davidson, E. Warren, and W. D. Hale, Esquires, of Port Stanley; also, the Rev. A. Adamson, D.D.

The secretary read a note from W. M. Westmacott, Esq., accompanied by a deed and memorial of lot 10, Cathcart Street, in the town of Sydenham, to be held in trust for the sustentation of missionaries.

The Rev. Dr. Beaven, seconded by the Rev. J. G. Armstrong, moved, that the thanks of the society are due, and are hereby given to W. M. Westmacott, Esq. for his liberal donation.

It was moved by the Rev. Dr. Lett, and seconded by the Rev. S. Givins,—That the thanks of this society are due, and are hereby given to Allan McLean Howard, Esq., for his donation of 45 acres in St. Vincent Township in trust for the endowment of a Church at Meaford.

Parochial Meetings were held at the following places during the last month:—Hannahville, Wellington Square, Palermo, Oakville, Milton, Georgetown and Norval. A meeting had been called at Hornby, but the weather being wet there was no attendance. The most numerous meeting was at Milton. At Hannahville there were more than 40 of the parishioners present, although the morning was very wet and snow falling heavily. Several of the laymen made some very interesting and telling speeches. Mr. Spence gave some valuable statistics with regard to the population of the township, and the proportion professing to belong to the Church; and drew a comparison between what was done and what might be done by the Church if all her members did their duty.

Mr. McCoy, in supporting the resolution of thankfulness to God for the measure of success which had attended the operations of the Society, said that it was not only a cause of thankfulness to Churchmen that money had been subscribed to enable her to carry on her work, but also that she had succeeded in doing away with many prejudices which existed in the minds of those who, having for so many years been deprived of her ministrations, were entirely ignorant of the character of her Clergy, believing them to be a proud, inaccessible class of men; and also of the scriptural character of her doctrines and liturgy. He some years ago was a most strongly prejudiced dissenter, and he would give the reason for the change which had happily taken place in his views. He became disgusted with the numerous quarrels and splits which occurred amongst the various sects, and therefore determined to examine for himself whether the prejudices which he had imbibed against the Church were

well founded: the consequence was, that one after another they were dispelled, and for years he had been an attached member, and the more he knew of her the more he loved her, and he believed that many others had experienced the same change in their opinions, therefore we had good cause for thankfulness. The speaker eulogized the Rev. T. O'Neil, who some years since visited the district as a missionary, and is affectionately remembered by many, for this was not the only meeting at which his labours were mentioned, and the people were everywhere glad to learn that he was about to settle in the Diocese.

The Rev. T. Greene, of Wellington Square, T. Marsh, of Norval, R. Shanklin, of Oakville and F. Tremayne, of Milton, attended at all the meetings, and most ably advocated the cause of the Society. The Rev. C. Dade moved the adoption of the report at Georgetown. The Rev. T. S. Kennedy, Secretary of the Society, was present at all the meetings except the one at Palermo, which official duties at Toronto prevented him from attending.

At Georgetown the Clergy took the opportunity of visiting the beautiful bridge in course of construction, and nearly completed, by the Grand Trunk Railroad Co. over the river Credit. — Young, Esq., kindly accompanied them and took much pains in explaining everything connected with the structure of this work, of which the Province may well be proud. Some faint idea may be conceived of its magnitude from the following facts:—Its length is 840 feet, divided into 8 spans of 150 feet each, supported by cut stone piers, the stone quarried in the neighborhood. The rivets used in fastening the plates of the bridge weigh 40 tons, and the whole iron work, independent of the rails, 400 tons. The height from the top of the bridge to the river is 150 feet. This sight alone will well repay the trouble and cost of a visit to Georgetown.

COLLECTIONS MADE IN THE SEVERAL CHURCHES, CHAPELS, AND MISSIONARY STATIONS IN THE DIOCESE, APPOINTED TO BE TAKEN UP IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1855, TO BE APPLIED TO THE FUNDS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

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| Previously announced .....                                | £32 6 8 |
| St. James's Cathedral, Toronto, per Churchwarden .....    | 75 0 0  |
| Christ Church, Port Stanley, per Rev. J. A. Preston ..... | 3 2 6   |
| Northport, per Rev. T. Bousfield.....                     | 0 10 6  |
| St. Jude's, Oakville .....                                | 8 12 0  |
| Palermo .....   | 0 10 0  |
| per Churchwarden .....                                    | 4 2 0   |
| Christ Church, Huntingford .....                          | 2 12 8  |
| Lot 28, 12th Con., E. Zorra .....                         | 0 14 7  |
| per Rev. F. D. Fauquier .....                             | 3 7 3   |
| Holy Trinity, West Hawkesbury .....                       | 4 4 7   |
| St. John's, Vankleek's Hill .....                         | 0 6 5   |
| per Rev. R. L. Stephenson .....                           | 4 10 0  |
| St. Paul's, Yorkville, per Churchwarden .....             | 12 19 0 |

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| St. John's, Elora, per Rev. J. Smith                  | 6 4 0   |
| Trinity Church, Cornwall...                           | 4 6 6   |
| Christ Church, Moulinette                             | 1 5 0   |
| per Rev. H. Patton                                    | 5 10 0  |
| Carleton, per Rev. W. Stennett                        | 2 10 0  |
| St. Mary Magdalene, Picton, per Churchwarden          | 2 10 0  |
| St. John's, Berkely, per Rev. Dr. Deaven              | 0 19 0  |
| St. John's, Prescott                                  | 5 2 3   |
| St. James's, Maitland                                 | 1 2 6   |
| per Churchwarden                                      | 6 4 9   |
| Clark's Mills   | 0 15 0  |
| Baker's Schoolhouse                                   | 0 2 6   |
| Tiner's Schoolhouse                                   | 0 2 6   |
| per Rev. Paul Shirley                                 | 1 0 0   |
| St. James's, Stratford, per Rev. E. Patterson         | 1 11 3  |
| Trinity, Streetsville                                 | 1 10 0  |
| Churchville   | 0 8 2   |
| per Rev. R. J. MacGeorge                              | 1 18 2  |
| St. George's, Drummondville                           | 3 1 0   |
| St. John's, Stamford                                  | 1 0 3   |
| per Rev. C. L. Ingles                                 | 4 1 3   |
| St. George's, St. Catherines, per Rev. A. F. Atkinson | 13 4 0  |
| St. Peter's, Barton                                   | 2 3 10  |
| St. Paul's, Glanford                                  | 1 6 2   |
| per Rev. G. A. Bull                                   | 3 10 0  |
| Christ Church, Scarboro'                              | 1 10 9  |
| St. Paul's  | 1 0 3   |
| St. Jude's  | 1 0 0   |
| per Rev. W. Belt                                      | 3 11 0  |
| St. Peter's, Credit                                   | 4 10 9  |
| Sydenham  | 2 10 0  |
| Port Credit   | 0 9 3   |
| per Rev. S. Givins                                    | 7 10 0  |
| Franktown, per Rev. R. Lewis                          | 1 0 0   |
| St. John's, Caran                                     | 1 0 0   |
| St. Paul's, do.                                       | 1 10 0  |
| per Rev. J. W. Allen                                  | 2 10 0  |
| Grace Church, Milton                                  | 1 17 6  |
| St. Stephen's, Hornby                                 | 1 7 0   |
| Lowville  | 0 10 7  |
| per Rev. F. Tremayne                                  | 3 15 1  |
| All Saints', Mount Pleasant                           | 1 13 9  |
| St. Mary's, Cayuga Heights                            | 0 7 6   |
| per Rev. E. R. Stimson                                | 2 1 3   |
| Mimico Church, per Churchwarden                       | 0 7 3   |
| Trinity Church, Chippawa, per Rev. W. Leeming         | 7 10 0  |
| Bath, per Rev. W. F. S. Harper                        | 0 15 0  |
| St. John's, Portsmouth, per Churchwarden              | 1 10 0  |
| Trinity, Thornhill                                    | 2 0 0   |
| Oakridge's  | 0 12 1  |
| St. Stephen's, Vaughan                                | 0 15 5  |
| per Rev. D. E. Blake                                  | 3 7 6   |
| St. Mark's, Pakenham                                  | 0 7 6   |
| 9th Line, Fitzroy                                     | 0 5 0   |
| Fitzroy Harbor  | 0 5 0   |
| per Rev. J. A. Morris                                 | 0 17 6  |
| Brock, per Rev. K. Garrott                            | 1 2 6   |
| Orillia   | 0 15 0  |
| St. George's, Medonte                                 | 0 10 0  |
| Oro Church  | 0 10 7  |
| St. Luke's, Coldwater road                            | 0 4 5   |
| per Rev. T. B. Read                                   | 2 0 0   |
| St. Mark's, Niagara, per Churchwarden                 | 8 10 6  |
| St. Paul's, Adolphustown                              | 0 12 6  |
| St. Paul's, Fredericksburgh                           | 0 10 8  |
| per Rev. J. Muloch                                    | 1 3 2   |
| Christ Church, St. Alban's                            | 1 4 10  |
| St. Paul's, Newmarket                                 | 1 1 3   |
| Trinity, Aurora                                       | 0 6 3   |
| per Rev. S. Ramsey                                    | 2 12 4  |
| St. George's, Goderich, per Rev. E. L. Elwood         | 4 14 6  |
| St. Mary Magdalene Ch., Lloydtown                     | 1 16 11 |

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| Christ Church, Bolton                            | 1 2 1  |
| St. James's, Albion                              | 1 5 5  |
| Sandhill   | 0 6 7  |
| per Rev. H. B. Osler                             | 4 10 0 |
| Nelson and Wellington-square, per Rev. T. Greene | 2 12 0 |

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MISSION FUND.

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|--|---------|
| St. Paul's, Adolphustown                         | 0 10 0  |
| St. Paul's, Fredericksburgh                      | 0 11 10 |
| per Rev. J. Muloch                               | 1 1 10  |
| Nelson and Wellington-square, per Rev. T. Greene | 2 11 10 |

REV. T. S. KENNEDY, Secretary.

The Lord Bishop of Toronto held a general Ordination in the Cathedral Church, Toronto, on Sunday the 21st ult., when the following gentlemen were ordained:

PRIESTS.

- The Rev. Thomas Tempest Roberts, B. A. Curate of St. Catherines.
- The Rev. James Smyth, Rector of Warwick.
- The Rev. Thomas Leech, late Curate of Prescott, appointed to the Mission of Brampton and parts adjacent.
- The Rev. John Carroll, Missionary at Gananoque.
- The Rev. Thomas Scainston Campbell, Missionary at Walpole.

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- Francis Richard Tait, of Trinity College, Toronto, appointed travelling Missionary in the Johnstown District.
  - Alexander Williams, of Trinity College, Toronto, appointed Assistant Missionary at Moore.
  - Thomas Alexander Parnell, of Trinity College, Toronto, appointed to the Curacy of Prescott.
- The Ordination Sermon was preached by the Archdeacon of York, from 1 Cor. xii. 28, and the Bishop was assisted in the laying on of hands, in the ordination of Priests, by the Archdeacon of York, the Rev. H. J. Grasett, B. D., and the Rev. Edmund Baldwin, M. A.

TRINITY COLLEGE, TORONTO.

The annual Convocation of Trinity College was held in the college hall, on Saturday the 27th of October.

After the usual prayers, the Chancellor admitted the following gentlemen to degrees:—

- D. C. L. Hon. John Hilyard Cameron, John Hawkins Hagarty, Philip Michael Vankoughnet.
- M. D. ad eundem. Francis McManus Russell, Edinburgh.
- B. A. Abraham James Broughall; Henry William Davies, Octavius Weld, James John Bogert, George Noel Higginson, James Edwin O'Reilly, Frederick Schofield, William Cruden, Charles Walker Robinson, Herbert Chilion Jones, Huson William Munro Murray.
- M. B. Robert James Johnston.
- D. O. L. Charles Magrath, Samuel Bickerton Harman.
- B. A. ad eundem. Rev. Arthur Palmer, Trinity College, Dublin; Gustavus Rochfort Jarvis, King's College,

Frederickton; Thomas Tempest Roberts, Toronto University; William Bettridge, King's College, Toronto.

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Rev. Arthur Palmer, Gustavus Rochfort Jarvis, Thomas Tempest Roberts, William Bettridge.

The following Prizes were then distributed by the Chancellor:—

- Ds. Vankoughnet.—Chancellor's Prize for First Classic at B. A. Examination 1864.
- Ds. Broughall.—First Kent Prize for Theological Essay.
- Ds. Cooper.—Divinity Prize, in annual College Examination.
- Ds. Broughall.—Classical Prize in the Third Year at the annual Examination.
- Sanders.—Mathematical Prize in the Second Year at the annual Examination.
- Patton.—Classical Prize in the Second Year at the annual Examination.
- Ds. Vankoughnet.—English Essay.
- Sanders.—Latin Essay.
- Sanders.—Latin Verse.

[The three last exercises were recited.]

MEDICAL PRIZES.

- J. T. Mackenzie, } Assistant Demonstrators and W. Lambert, } Prosectors of Anatomy.
- J. T. Mackenzie.—General and Descriptive Anatomy.
- W. Lambert.—Chemistry (Senior).
- J. T. Mackenzie.—Materia Medica (Senior).
- J. King.—Materia Medica (Junior).
- E. Goodman.—Obstetrics (Senior).
- T. G. Phillips.—Obstetrics (Junior).
- J. T. Mackenzie.—Surgery (Senior).
- W. Lambert, } Practice of Medicine, T. G. Phillips, } (Junior).
- A. Ardagh.—Institutes of Medicine (Junior).
- N. Walker.—Medical Jurisprudence.
- J. T. Mackenzie.—Clinical Surgery.

The following gentlemen were then matriculated:—

- McNeely, Divinity Scholar, 1st Class.
- D. McLeod, " " 2nd Class.
- Middleton, " " 2nd Class.
- Fleming, " " 3rd Class.
- Cooper, Cameron Scholar; Badgley, Butterfield, Carrall, Carter, Case, Cayley, Denison, Grout, Henderson, Jones, N. McLeod, M. O'Reilly, A. Ardagh, Lambert.

At the close of the Convocation, the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

NOMINA CANDIDATORUM TERMINO MICHAELIS A. D. 1865, QUI HONORE DIGNI HABITI SUNT.

- In Literis Humanioribus. Classis I.—Broughall, Abraham Jacobus. Classis II.—Davies, Henricus Gulielmus. Classis III.—Weld, Octavius.

In Disciplinis Mathematicis et Physicis. Classis I.—Classis II.—Classis III.—Classis IV.

EORUM QUI IN EXAMINATIONE PRO GRADU A. B. EGREGIE MERITI SUNT.

Broughall, Abraham Jacobus.

CAETERORUM QUI EXAMINATORIBUS SATISFECERUNT.

- Bogert, Jacobus Johannes; Cruden, Gulielmus; Higginson, Georgius Noel; Jones, Herbert Chilion; Murray, Huson Gulielmus Munro; O'Reilly, Jacobus Edwin; Robinson, Carolus Walker; Schofield, Fredericus.
- GEORGIUS WHITAKER, GEORGIUS CLERK INVINO, Examinatores.
- GEORGIUS WHITAKER, Pro Concellarius.

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*From the Brockville Recorder.*

We have much pleasure in giving insertion to the following. The Rev. Mr. Denroche has gone from Brockville, but his charities will long be remembered by the poor:—

TO THE REV. EDWARD DENROCHE,  
A. M. &c.

*Rev. and Dear Sir,*—After so long a residence among us, in the sacred and endearing relation of Pastor and Friend, it would be unbecoming and ungrateful were we to suffer you to depart from us without our testimony to your conduct and worth—without our expression of regret at that departure, and an offer of our heartfelt sympathy for the melancholy cause of it.

We are proud and anxious to acknowledge, and wish it to be known to your future congregation and neighbors, Rev. and Dear Sir, that the ministration of your holy calling was not a faint compliance with the forms and ceremonies of the ritual, but an earnest, energetic, zealous, and faithful observance and performance of its solemn obligations and duties; that your unflinching attention and unwearied kindness and charity to the poorer portion of your congregation were no simulated good will, but the pure offspring of a benevolent heart, aching to relieve human wretchedness, "to whom the supplicating eye was never raised in vain."

We desire further to assure you that an intercourse of nearly a quarter of a century as pastor to so many, and as a kind and obliging friend and neighbor to so many more, form ties and associations that are not severed without pain and sorrow; and this expression of our feelings will testify that the resignation of your rectory, and subsequent separation from us, arose from a too conscientious and scrupulous apprehension that your declining health (too hastily deemed immedicable) might impair your efficiency, if not altogether prevent the discharge of your duties.

From the threatened and dreaded affliction it has pleased the Almighty Disposer of events to relieve you, and whilst we rejoice in your unexpected recovery, we offer up our thanks for His mercy, and our prayer that it may enlarge the sphere of your usefulness.

And now, dear sir, in bidding you farewell, we have only further to offer our ardent hopes and wishes for the health, happiness, and prosperity of Mrs. Denroche, your family and yourself, and to trust to the blessing of God for the realization of them.

SIDNEY JONES,            JAMES MORRIS,  
GEORGE MORTON,        DAVID WYLIE,  
W. B. SIMPSON,         and 144 others.

#### REPLY.

To Sidney Jones, W. B. Simpson, George Morton, James Morris, David Wylie, and 144 others, inhabitants of Brockville.

Queenston, Sept. 19, 1855.

"My beloved brethren, and you my former neighbors and kindhearted fellow-townsmen,—You have, I assure you, my grateful thanks for the farewell address that reached me on the 17th inst., and I feel confident that you will favorably regard this imperfect but honest utterance of thankful obligation.

Your generous sympathy and cordial commendation, accompanied by fervent aspiration for the best welfare of my family and myself, could not fail to prove deeply gratifying to me, as an old friend of all, and the old pastor of a majority of you. Such a token of affectionate respect from members of one's former flock, also from former friends and neighbors not of that flock,—such a testimony, notwithstanding political and religious differences, (for I recognize the signatures of men of different opinions and prepossessions on those heads, attached to your address), is in my estimation, most valuable; very seasonable, and altogether welcome.

True it is, that, at one time, I dissuaded a special vestry from carrying out their resolution to honor me with a valedictory address. There is, however, such force in the homely old adage, 'circumstances alter cases,' as seems to have gained for itself in the present case your full appreciation.

Retiring from my ministerial charge in utter hopelessness of being ever able to resume professional labor, and considering that in all likelihood I should continue during the remnant of my days in the midst of you, I felt that a farewell address might fairly be dispensed with, especially where the person to be addressed was anxious to drop as quietly as possible into the retirement of private life. I moreover thought it highly probable (and my supposition seems to have been correct), that your partiality would have led you, as I must say it has now most certainly done, to speak of me and my imperfect work in a strain far beyond that which will be warranted in the day when "every man's work shall be tried." You say you are "proud" to bear testimony to my worth as your friend and pastor. I also own to a certain sort of pride, (would to God I harbored none more culpable!)—a pride that makes me dread being exalted in the eyes of men, through the erring judgment of their fellows, when, sooner or later, the unduly exalted must be deeply humbled before men and angels, by Him who is alone really competent to judge righteous judgment.

Besides the foregoing dissuasives opera-

ting on my mind, there was a conviction that I should never again be in a position to need your testimony as a letter of commendation from you to other brethren. But now, all thanks to him whose merciful interposition has in a good degree restored me to a capability of ministering His word and sacraments as in times past. Now, the circumstances in my case are altered. Why should I decline this your most kind and perfectly voluntary tribute of esteem? If only for the sake of those over whom I may be sent to minister, it would be wrong to hesitate in gladly receiving an offering at your hands, so well suited to pave the way of ministerial usefulness.

While with all gratitude and thankfulness I receive it, you must forgive me if I venture to point out one particular in which you have been led into an exaggeration of fact. I say this under the supposition that by "charity" to the poor, you specially allude to private alms-giving on my part. Now, whatever good you may have traced after me in that way is to be attributed, I might almost say, entirely to funds offered for that purpose on God's own altar, and all that I did at any time was to dispense the fruit of the benevolence of the congregation. If the trifling pittance that passed from my private purse into the pockets of the poor was sufficient to gain me the character of "charitable," I have only to say that such a character is of lamentable easy attainment, indeed. So easy, in fact, that the acquirer of such a good name might almost blush to find himself possessed of it.

Without reference to your over-charitable impressions regarding me in other particulars, I now bid you farewell—a farewell that my tongue could not have compassed when leaving you. Be assured that a document, at once embracing the unsought testimony of so many estimable members of my late congregation and the legitimately coveted "good report of them that are without," the voluntary and united testimony of those best qualified of human beings to know the truth to the latest moment of residence among them, will ever be treasured by me, and I trust by those that come after me.

With every good wish for the temporal and eternal welfare of you all, in which I am heartily joined by my family, I remain,

My dear brethren and friends,  
Ever faithfully and affectionately yours,  
E. DENROCHE.

It is stated that the excommunication of the Rev. Sir W. Dunbar, by the Bishop of Aberdeen, some years since having prevented the Rev. Baronet's being admitted to an Incumbency in England, he has confessed his fault, and the excommunication has been removed, although Sir W. Dunbar, by his proceedings, had put the Bishop to an expense of £1,500.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL AT WESTON.

One of these very interesting *fetes* was given on Thursday, the 11th instant, to the children of the Sunday School of St. Philip's Church, Weston.

The children, numbering between fifty and sixty, with their teachers and other members of the congregation, assembled at the church about 2 o'clock, P.M. The incumbent, the Rev. T. Kennedy, then personally took down the name of every scholar, examining them as to their regularity of attendance, and addressing to each a few words of advice and encouragement. Prayers were then read; after which the children were marshalled two and two, and proceeded in regular order to the festival ground, about three-quarters of a mile distant. This was a beautiful spot on the high ground upon the Etobicoke side of the Humber, on one of Mr. Arnold's lots, commanding an extensive prospect of the valley of the Humber, with the picturesque village of Weston and the viaduct of the Grand Trunk Railway. Here, on the border of a pretty grove of pines, under the superintendance of the incumbent's lady, assisted by other ladies and gentlemen of the neighbourhood, tables had been spread, covered with varieties of cakes and other dainties, most attractive to juvenile tastes. On arriving at the ground the children at a signal dispersed for an hour's hearty play, with swings and other diversions, while at a gipsy-like fire, with crotches and cross-sticks, several volunteer waiters were busy with all sorts of boilers and kettles in preparing the necessary amount of hot water for upwards of 100 expectant tea drinkers.

All being ready, the children sat down, and before they got up again, certainly afforded to the lookers on a proof of the capabilities of "Young Canada" in the tea and cake line. They were followed by the waiters, who had waited with activity and patiently, and by all the "children of the larger growth," who, having unbent themselves to mingle with the sports of childhood, seemed to consider themselves entitled, for the occasion, to some of its luxuries also. After all, there appeared almost as much left as had been eaten, so liberal had been the supplies sent in by the kindness of the friends of the school.

Of clergy, there were present, the Rev. Incumbent, T. Kennedy; H. C. Cooper; E. Plees, and G. Armstrong—the first and the last of whom, after tea, addressed to the children a few useful remarks suggested by the occasion—cheers were given for the Queen—the Bishop of the Diocese—and the benefactors of the day—after which, as the day closed in, all dispersed, young and old, much delighted with the little *fete* in which they had been engaged.

From what we saw of the Sunday School, and of the whole proceedings, we

are confirmed in the opinion we always entertained, that a resident clergyman at Weston would find no lack of kindly co-operation from the church people of that neighbourhood.—*Old Countryman.*

## Miscellaneous.

## ENGLAND.

RE-OPENING OF THE PARISH CHURCH AT EAST RETFORD.—The Church at St. Swithin's, at the Retford, had, from various causes which need not here be enumerated, been suffered to fall into a state of decay, which caused much regret in the minds of all who wish well to the cause of true religion, until at length the authorities of the place were aroused, and not only the Rural Deans, but the Archdeacon himself, warned them that without steps were taken, and that immediately, the parish must undertake the consequences. Accordingly, in 1853, a meeting was held, and it was then determined that certain restorations should be effected. Soon afterwards the sacred edifice was closed, and the work of restoration commenced. The interior was sadly blocked up with high pews and galleries in nave, aisles, and south transept. The accommodation for the poorer inhabitants was ill-provided in the passages and in out of the way places. A large pulpit, reading desk, and clerk's desk, stood in the middle of the Church. The west part of the chancel was blocked up by pews having railings on the top, whilst the altar was ill-arranged and almost hidden from view. The organ shut out the large west window, and was placed in the usual gallery for singers. The illegal sale of pews along with houses in the parish was in common practice, and most of them bore the supposed owners' name in painting or brass upon the door. The interior aspect was gloomy and miserable. The restoration, which has now been completed and brought to so happy a termination, includes a most substantial repair of the whole of the fabric, both inside and out, as well as a handsome fence walk to the Churchyard, the latter of which has been done at the expense of the corporation. In place of the late chancel of 1670, a new one has been erected, twenty feet larger, and much more lofty than the old one. It is surrounded by a clerestory, similar in all respects to that of the nave. The old decorated east window is now restored to its former elegant size, and is refixed in the east end of the new chancel. To the south side of the chancel is attached an aisle, three bays long. To the north transept it was found necessary to add new strong buttresses to the angles, and the foundations were also strengthened. To the south transept a large new window

has been added, as well as battlements, &c. The South porch was restored a short time since, and may be said to have been the beginning of the present good work. The north aisle has been newly erected and enlarged. The masonry of the doorway, and some other old portions, have been used up again in the new south aisle. The south side, the clerestory, the west front, and, indeed, all the masonry, has been carefully and faithfully restored in every respect. The nave, aisles, and transepts, are internally fitted with low open benches, and to these, up the nave and aisles, additional heights to the backs, as well as to the doors, have been added, but not by the sanction of the whole of the Restoration Committee, for several of that body strongly opposed them. A richly carved stone pulpit is placed near the north-west pier of the tower, and on the opposite side stands a very handsome eagle lectern of oak, elaborately carved. The organ, which stands on the south side of the chancel, opens into the Church by two arches. The altar is raised on seven steps, and the large window above is partly filled with extremely rich stained glass, by Mr. O'Connor. The subject is our Lord upon the cross, and the three Marys, but it requires the rest of the window to be filled up to make it complete. It is erected to the memory of Mrs. Hawksley Hall, who took deep interest in the restoration of the Church, by several friends who know her worth and appreciated her many virtues. At the foot of the compartment the following is inscribed in ancient characters:—"To the glory of God, and in memory of Ellen Marion, wife of Hawksley Hall, who departed to her rest on the 11th of March, 1855. The tribute of many friends." At the west of the chancel benches are provided for the choir, but they are not intended as the permanent fittings. The memorial window to the late Francis Poljambe is now placed in the south transept, and the centre light of the west window of the south aisle is filled with painted glass, representing the baptism of the Saviour by John in the river Jordan. All the new roofs and the interior wood work is stained a light brown colour and varnished.

The Clergy met and robed at the Royal Free Grammar School, and the choristers from the Cathedral at Norwich took the lead, followed by the parochial voluntary choir, under the direction of the organist, Mr. George Dixon, Mus. Bac., Oxon, who appeared in his official robes. Then came the clergy two and two; these were succeeded by Dr. Wilkins, Archdeacon of Nottingham, and Archdeacon Stonehouse, and then by the Bishop of Lincoln. On entering the Church, Psalms 14 and 122 were chanted by the choir, which had a



beautiful and imposing effect. After the third collect, the anthem, "As the hart panteth after the waterbrooks," by Mr. Bonnett, assistant organist of Norwich Cathedral, was well sung. The Morning Prayers were followed by the Hundredth Psalm, in which the whole congregation most heartily joined, which had a most thrilling effect. The Bishop said the Communion service, with the exception of the epistle, which was read by the Ven. Archdeacon Wilkins. The Lord Bishop of Lincoln ascended the pulpit, and preached from Ephesians 3, part of the 14th and 15th verses—"Our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named." His Lordship returned to the Communion table, and Archdeacon Stonehouse commenced reading the Offertory sentences, during which the collection was made towards the restoration fund, and which amounted to the handsome sum of £91 13s. 6d. The Bishop having said the prayer for "the whole state of Christ's Church militant here on earth," a voluntary was struck up, during which part of the congregation left the Church. Upwards of 100 remained, and partook of the Sacrament of the Holy Communion.

At three o'clock a luncheon was served in the town hall. Upon the motion of the Venerable Archdeacon Wilkins, the Hon. Captain Duncombe was appointed chairman. After the usual loyal and patriotic toasts had been disposed of in a befitting manner, the Chairman proposed in an elegant speech, the health of "The Bishop of the Diocese." He said he felt sure that all who had a privilege of hearing the beautiful sermon which the Bishop had preached that day, must feel grateful to him for coming amongst them on that occasion. He hoped that the exhortation of the Rev. Prelate would be of avail in the town of Retford, and that unity and good feeling would be the result.

The Lord Bishop responded in a speech abounding with Christian kindness and feeling. He said such occasions as the present were not of uncommon occurrence, and it was a heartfelt gratification to him to be able to acknowledge the fact. There was one subject of much importance, and upon which he would occupy them for a few moments, he meant the system of open free benches, as compared with the exclusive pew system. The former had preeminently the advantage over the latter in all respects, and the arguments on both sides were familiar to most people. The system of closed pews had done more than any other evil to separate the poorer members of our Church from the whole body. In it all the advantage went to the rich man, and none to the humbler sort of people. There were no

doubt difficulties in a reform from the latter to the former and better plan; but upon consideration they were but of small account as compared with the actual good attained. In remarking upon the study of our ancient Churches, and their restoration, the Bishop said some people threw love and devotion into the matter, and he felt that such was quite justifiable when the more solemn celebration of the services of the church, and the welfare of its members were aided thereby.

The evening service commenced at seven o'clock; the procession of the choristers and clergy was similar to that of the morning. The Bishop again being present, took his appointed station on the north side of altar. The Venerable Archdeacon Wilkins ascended the pulpit, and selected for his text the third verse of the Hundredth Psalm—"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto Him and speak good of His name." We may here state that the Archdeacon in the course of his sermon alluded in feeling and appropriate terms to the fact, that a working lame man had subscribed and collected as much money as had purchased a beautiful stained glass compartment for the western windows at the end of the north aisle, and also presented the beautiful alms dish. He hoped that this work of labor and love would meet with its reward here, and would come up in his behalf as a memorial before God.

The Wednesday's services consisted of Morning Prayers at nine o'clock; Litany at three o'clock, when the children of the Sunday school were catechised and a short address delivered to them. They afterwards partook of tea in the town hall. At seven in the evening between two and three hundred of the laboring classes took tea and sandwiches in the town hall, both of which repasts were liberally provided by Mr. and Mrs. Scrimshaw, of the Marquis of Granby Inn. The evening services commenced at eight o'clock; the sermon was preached by the Rev. James Blomfield, B. D., Rector of Orsett—Abridged from the *Nottingham Journal*.

The services of Thursday were arranged in a similar manner to those on Tuesday. Rev. W. F. Hook, D. D., Vicar of Leeds, Prebendary of Lincoln, preached in the morning, and the Rev. Dr. Francis Hessey, Incumbent of St. Barnabas, Kensington, in the evening.

The collection amounted in the morning to £33 4s. 1d.; and that in the evening to £20 2s. 9½d. Thus it will be seen that a very handsome sum has been realised, and fully proves, that when the sympathies of the people are excited, they are not backward.

#### QUEEN'S COLLEGE, BIRMINGHAM.

The Reverend Edward St. John Parry, Balliol College, Oxon, has been unanimously elected resident Warden of the College. Amongst the testimonials in his favor the following, bearing more especially upon his duties, from an accomplished Fellow of the University of Oxford, was submitted to the council:—

"Mr. Parry is the eldest son of the Bishop of Barbadoes; he was ordained by the Bishop of Worcester in 1851. His great knowledge of young men, gained in his own education at Rugby, his residence at Oxford, his experience in tuition at Winchester and at Trinity College, Toronto; his cheerful, open, manly bearing and straightforward sincerity of manner, will, I have no doubt, attract the regard and win the esteem of those over whom he may be placed. While perfectly able to uphold discipline, he can enter into the feelings of young men, understand their motives, and so do more to moderate and control them effectually than a person of less elastic temper, or with more rigid and unbending notions of discipline. Mr. Parry is a sound Churchman, perfectly free from any Romanizing or Germanising tendencies."

At the same meeting the Rev. Burford Gibsone, Trinity College, Cambridge, was elected resident Mathematical Professor and Chaplain to the Queen's Hospital. Independently of the high honors taken by Mr. Gibsone at the University of Cambridge, he possesses, as shown by his testimonials, great experience in tuition, both public and private; upwards of eighty officers of the Indian army have received their mathematical education from him. Mr. Gibsone is now Vice-Principal at the Elizabeth College, Guernsey, in Holy Orders, and has been long conversant with the sick chamber. Dr. Jordan, gold medalist at the University of London, was re-elected as resident Medical Tutor.

**DOWLS SCHOOLS.**—The magnificent new schools which were commenced by the late Sir John Guest, and which have been finished by his widow, the Lady Charlotte Schreiber, were opened on Tuesday last in the presence of the Bishop of Llandaff and a brilliant assembly of the surrounding gentry. The building consists of seven schoolrooms—one for infants, and three each for boys and girls. The whole building is 235 feet long by 100 feet in the centre—i. e., the infants school is 100 feet long by 35 feet wide and 50 feet high. The boys' school, south end, is 120 feet long, by 30 feet wide and 30 feet high; and there are two class-rooms, one 25 feet by 21, and the other 45 feet by 24. The girls' school-rooms, north end, three in number, are of the same dimensions as those of the south end. The architect has

been Sir C. Barry, and the total cost of the structure has been £7,000. The number of children for whom the means of education have been provided exceeds 1,400.

**DEATH OF DR. GILLY, OF NORHAM.**—Dr. Gilly, one of the Canons of Durham Cathedral and Vicar of Norham-on-the-Tweed, died at his residence in the city of Durham last week in the 67th year of his age. The death of this liberal and enlightened divine is deeply lamented by all classes, more especially by the peasantry of North Northumberland. Dr. Gilly was the first person who sought to ameliorate the condition of the agricultural labourers in North Northumberland by calling the attention of landholders and the general public to the then miserable state of the cottage dwellings generally found upon the estates in this district; and his benevolent suggestions have since been carried out with much spirit by the Duke of Northumberland and other large landholders. Dr. Gilly was also favourably known as the biographer of Felix Neff, the Apostolic Pastor of the French Vaudois, and as a writer of several works on the Waldenses, a people to whom he was zealously attached, and to whose claims on the sympathy of the English Protestants he was the first to draw attention. He was the means of raising a large subscription on their behalf, by which a college and library at La Tour, in Piedmont, was founded and maintained. Up to the time of his last sickness Dr. Gilly was engaged raising money for the extension of education among this interesting community. The Canonry of Durham, which is of the annual value of about £1,800, will not, we believe, be filled up. The living at Norham, which is of the value of £529 a year, is in the gift of the Dean and Chapter of Durham.

**NEW CHURCH, NEAR THE HAYMARKET.**—A new church is about being commenced in Coventry-street, Haymarket, between Rupert-street and Princess-street. Her Majesty has subscribed £500; W. T. Egerton, Esq., M.P., £30; Viscount Sidney, £25; Bishop of London, £1,000, besides several other noblemen and gentlemen.

**MACHEN.**—A new church, erected just below the shadows of the Machen mountain, Machin, was consecrated by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese on Thursday. The church, which was built by subscription, is in the style of architecture which prevailed in the early part of the fifteenth century. The entire cost of the building will be £1,650. It is built to accommodate 250 persons.

**THE LATE BISHOP BROUGHTON.**—The monument erected in the nave of Canterbury Cathedral to the memory of Bishop

Broughton, has just been completed. The tomb is composed of Caen stone, and has been executed by Mr. A. G. Austin; the full-length effigy, in a recumbent posture, in alabaster, by Mr. Lough.

**NEW CEMETERY AT IPSWICH.**—The consecration of the new cemetery at Ipswich took place on Thursday. In the absence of the Bishop of the Diocese, through infirmity, Dr. Spence, late Bishop of Madras, officiated.

A Roman Catholic clergyman of the diocese of Cashel has received a letter from an Irish priest, the Rev. Thomas Reardon, pastor of Eastern Pennsylvania, in the course of which the writer imploringly entreats his correspondent to use all his influence to check what he designates the insane spirit of emigration to America which seems to possess the people of Ireland. "They are rushing," says the writer, "on the almost certain ruin of their souls, while their temporal condition is at best but little improved. A full fifth of the number leaving Ireland are laid in strange graves within one short year from the day they quit their native shores, and the greater part of the others are soon broken down by the severe labor to which they must apply themselves, and the awful climate, which rapidly bring on premature old age, and hurry the poor victim into an early grave. From the hour they land to the hour they die, they are despised and spit upon, and in thousands of cases they die without the last rites of the church, or any of the consolations which at home would smooth their dying pillows, and prepare their souls for the solemn moment of departure. I have had much experience of the mode of life into which nearly all our people are drawn, and I solemnly believe that if the vessels which bring them over were suddenly to founder and carry every creature on board into the depths of the ocean, they would have a better chance of salvation than they have after they have lived for some years in this country. So entirely convinced am I of the fearful havoc of souls which is the result of coming here, that, were Almighty God to give me the power of building a wall of fire round Ireland to prevent its people leaving it, it should be built before the ink with which I write this line would dry. For the love of Jesus, try to keep your people at home, for every individual you keep you snatch a soul from hell."

The Rev. Ralph Old, rector of Semley, Dorset, who died a few days ago, at the age of eighty-five, has by his will made the following munificent bequests:—To the Incorporated Society for promoting Christian Knowledge at Home £2,400; to the Incorporated Society for promoting Christian Knowledge Abroad, £2,400; to the

Society for building and enlarging Churches and Chapels, £2,400; to the Salisbury Infirmary, £150; to the General Hospital at Bath, £450; to the choir of the parish of Sembly, £150; to certain poor of the said parish, £50.

The Rev. Geo. Mansfield, of St. Peter's, Saffron-hill, having recently declined a living with but a small population, offered to him by the Lord Chancellor, his congregation have presented him with a handsome token of their esteem, and as a special mark of the approbation for his preferring to remain at a post of great labour and difficulty, with an uncertain income, to going to one of ease, with a permanent provision.

We understand that the Rev. R. M. MacBrair, M.A., late of Cambridge, has resigned his appointment into the hands of the President of the Conference, and withdrawn from the connection, expressing his dissent from some parts of the Wesleyan economy and discipline. Mr. MacBrair is a native of Scotland, and studied at the University of Edinburgh, where he gained some important prizes, and obtained his degree of Master of Arts. He afterwards went abroad and studied more languages. Having offered his services to the Wesleyan Missionary Society, he was sent to Western Africa as linguist, to grapple with one or more of the negro tongues. He soon succeeded in forming a grammar of the Mandingo, and translated the Gospel into the same language. He also drew up a sketch of the Foolah language (the most difficult of African dialects, and previously unknown to Europeans), which has lately been published by the Admiralty. Mr. MacBrair has also written some books in English, contributed to various popular periodicals, and was one of the originators and editorial committee of the well-known *Bulwark*, or *Scottish Reformation Journal*.—*Cambridge Chronicle*.

#### UNITED STATES.

**BOARD OF MISSIONS.**—The annual meeting of this body commenced in St. Bartholomew's church, New York, on Wednesday morning, 17th inst.; the Bishop of Virginia presiding, and the Bishops of Ohio, New Jersey, Delaware, Massachusetts, Maine, Iowa, and Rhode Island, the Assistant Bishop of Virginia, and the Provisional Bishop of New York being also present with a considerable number of clergy and laity from various dioceses. The Rev. Prof. Van Pelt was unanimously re-elected Secretary. It appeared from the report of the Domestic Committee that it had now on its list 'four' missionary Bishops, and 104 its Priests and Deacons; 22 stations were now vacant; 49 new appointments had been made during the year; and there had been



18 resignations. The general prospect of the Mission work was everywhere cheering and encouraging in the highest degree. The circulation of the "Spirit of Missions" was increasing. The secretary had spent 13 weeks in tours at the South and West in travelling 11,800 miles, and preaching and delivering addresses everywhere, and had returned with an increased sense of the vastness of the field, the laboriousness of those now in it, and the crying and immediate necessity for more men and more liberal means.—The total receipts for the year, [including \$9093.57 from legacies \$3642.79 from the Episcopal Missionary Association of the West, \$817.39 also contributed for that Association, and \$606.09 balance over from last year] were \$42,713.69, a larger sum than had ever before been raised by the Domestic Committee. Taking into account however, the many other channels through which the church contributes to the work of Domestic Missions, it is certain that more than \$100,000 a year are given to it in various ways.

The report of the Foreign Committee was less encouraging, and made severe complaints of the want of funds. The receipts of last year were about \$60,000. The operations of the Committee had been considerably enlarged, especially in Africa, and accounts from the various stations abroad represented them as highly prosperous.

In the evening, at Trinity chapel, the annual sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Nicholson, of Cincinnati. On Thursday morning, 18th inst., the Board again met for business at St. Bartholomew's.

After reading of the minutes, some discussion arose as to the insertion of a clause in relation to no collection having been made the preceding evening in Trinity Chapel and they were so amended as to read that the omission was in consequence of a misunderstanding. The committee to whom was referred the report of the committee on Foreign Missions, earnestly recommended the support of all the present stations, and the sending out of additional labourers without delay. They also recommended a special collection throughout the churches for the speedy extinguishment of the present debt. After some discussion, a subscription was made upon the spot, and \$4,600 were pledged between six Bishops, twenty presbyters, and one layman, being \$100 more than was required. The general 'collection' was then determined to be dispensed with, as its necessity had been precluded by the liberality of the members present. A committee of five was appointed to prepare and publish an address to the Church on supplying the necessary means for carrying on more

vigorously than over the great work of Missions.

In the evening, the closing services of the Board were held by a public meeting at the Church of the Ascension. After suitable collects by Bishop Meade, addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Commings, of Washington, Bishop Leo, of Iowa, and Bishop Clark, of Rhode Island. The latter prelate announced that the Foreign Committee, in consequence of the lack of funds in their treasury, had that morning assumed the payment of \$4,500 on their individual responsibility to send out such additional foreign missionaries as had offered themselves. A collection was then made, and, with prayers and benediction, the Board adjourned *sine die*.

**NUMBER OF MINISTERS.**—A writer in the Foreign Missionary, a Presbyterian publication, has been examining the proportion of Ministers of all denominations to the population of the United States. He makes the present number of 'Evangelical ministers' 26,241, and thinks this below the truth. This would give one minister of some sort, to every 998 souls. From 1832 to 1851, the population has increased 88 per cent.; the ministers, 175 per cent.

#### COLONIAL.

**AFRICA.**—The intelligence of the Church's work in the British possessions in Africa, convinces us of the energy of the good bishop of Capetown. We obtain the following extracts from a recent letter by the Bishop.

"The great work, however, which is at this time pressing itself upon our attention, is that of winning the coloured race in this land of Christ. At present our efforts for their conversion are upon a very small scale, and utterly unworthy of the Church of England; and yet we are not in a condition to increase our labourers. The great practical difficulty which stands in our way is that of language. This can only be overcome by time. Hitherto scarcely any of the clergy have acquired sufficient knowledge of Dutch to officiate in their language. Till this is done, however, the coloured people cannot be widely impressed. Some are gradually acquiring it, and will, I trust, ere long be able to declare to the heathen, in their own tongue, the wonderful works of God. If I had the men and the means of maintaining them, I could easily employ in the field now open to us a large additional staff of religious instructors to the heathen. It is not easy to meet with duly qualified agents for such a work here. \* \* \* Till our own college shall have sufficient time to bear its fruits, and furnish us with a supply of men duly qualified to serve God in the ministry of His Church, we must continue to look to the

Church at home for 'our fellow helpers to the truth.' Much has been done in various ways for this land of late, but all will be of little use until our thin ranks shall be recruited by a few zealous men of God, who are willing to come over and help us—to spend and be spent for Christ. Through you I would appeal to my brethren of the clergy at home, into whose hearts God may have put any thought or desire to offer themselves for the building up of His church, the extension of His kingdom, and the salvation of souls in distant lands; and invite them to make known to my Commissary—the Rev. Dr. Williams, Pershore—or to the Society, their willingness to labor, though it were but for a few years in this field. We greatly need clergy, men, catechists, and schoolmasters. May some zealous men who read of our wants regard this letter as a call to them, and offer themselves for the work! In a few years, the college, under the superintendence of its devoted principal, will, I doubt not, in some degree supply our wants. At present, unless the zeal and the love of the Mother Church shall furnish both labourers and the means of supporting them, our work must languish, and will perhaps ultimately fail."

**ENGLAND.**—The Bishop of London continued his visit to the Continent. He had preached twice at Dusseldorf. It is stated that he has derived so much benefit from his stay at Dusseldorf, both in his sight and his general health, that he would be able to proceed up the Rhine, making a tour into Switzerland before his return home.

It appears that on several Sunday evenings during the summer the Rev. R. W. Sandford, incumbent of Kingswood, near Bristol, has preached in the open air with good success. He abstained from everything of a controversial nature, setting forth, in plain, earnest language, the great fundamental doctrines of Christianity.

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