

History

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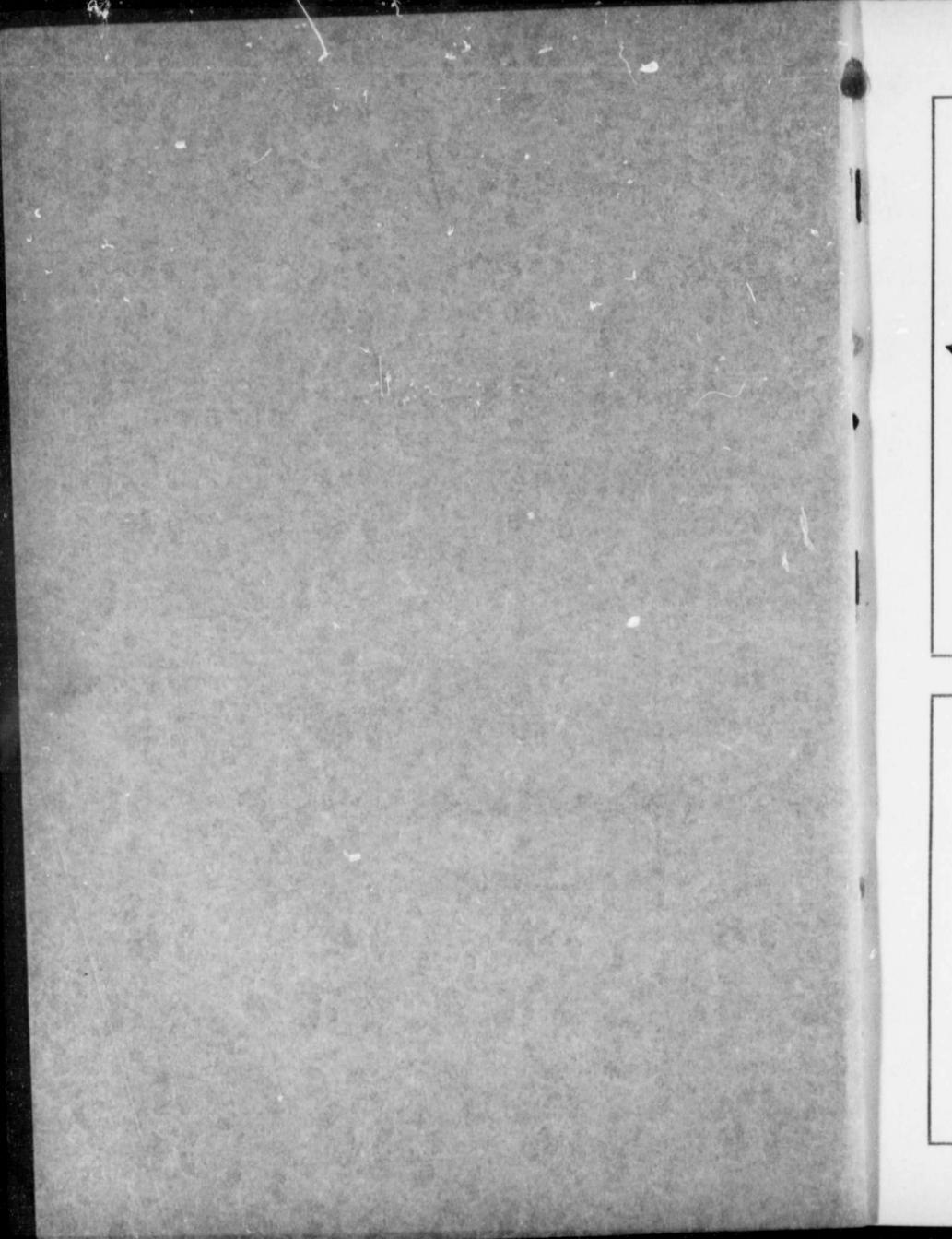


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PREFACE

This brief history of Montreal's oldest Anglican Military Church edifice, is not intended in any way as an original compilation, neither could the compiler lay claim to it as such; for it is merely a recapitulation of a more elaborate work compiled on the occasion of the Church's fiftieth anniversary of existence in 1890 by "H M.," augmented by a few additions to bring it up to date.

The special object of publication is obvious in its dedication, and our communication to His Royal Highness The Duke of Connaught K. G. Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of Canada, on the auspicious and welcome occasion of his appointment, and in the hope that its acceptance by His Royal Highness may serve as a Souvenir of days gone by, and possibly of sacred moments within its less imposing though equally hallowed precincts in the early stages of its transition.

"A. H. D. H."



Trinity Church,
Montreal,
October 20th 1911.

To

Field Marshall

His Royal Highness

Prince Arthur, William, Patrick, Albert, Duke of Connaught
& of Strathearn, Earl of Sussex (in the Peerage of the
United Kingdom), Prince of the United Kingdom of
Great Britain & Ireland, Duke of Saxe, Prince of Saxe
Coburg & Gotha, K.G., K.T., K.C., K.P., P.C., G.M.B.,
G.C.S.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.T.S., G.C.V.O., Personal
A.D.C. to His Majesty the King, Governor General
and Commander in Chief of the Dominion of
Canada.

Sir,

Appreciating the honour con-
ferred on Canadians by the appointment of
Your Royal Highness to be the Governor General
of our Dominion, and in anticipation of the re-
newal of the military ties and memories that
have bound this Country to the Motherland
through the coming of one so deeply interested
in all matters or objects military, the Clergy &
Wardens of Trinity Church, Place Notre Dame,
of this City, respectfully ask Your Royal Highness

to accept the accompanying brief history of the
oldest Anglican Military Church in Montreal.

We beg to direct Your Royal Highness'
attention to the following extract from the minutes
of a General Body Meeting held in the Church
on April 19th 1849, which states that - "It was
moved by Mr Lindsay & seconded by Colonel Napier
that the pew originally fitted up & appropriated for
the use of the Governor General shall be again offered
for the same purpose to His Excellency the Earl of
Elgin & his Staff." "Carried unanimously".

We therefore express the hope that Your
Royal Highness may graciously feel disposed
to accept the official pew which we have the
honour, by right of precedent, to place at the
disposal of Your Royal Highness and Staff.

The Clergy, Wardens and Congregation
of Trinity Church feel that, in accordance with
the Military Associations and traditions of the Parish,
it is appropriate for them to tender a cordial
invitation to Your Royal Highness thus to honour
them on the occasion of Your Royal Highness' next
visit to Montreal.

We have the honour to subscribe
ourselves,

John M. Almond, Rector.

R. W. Norwood, Minister

R. W. Norwood
W. Campbell } Churchwardens

A
Souvenir Historical Sketch
OF
TRINITY CHURCH



*Sound, sound the Clarion, fill the fife
To all the sensual world proclaim
One crowded hour of glorious life
Is worth an age without a name.*

--Sir Walter Scott.

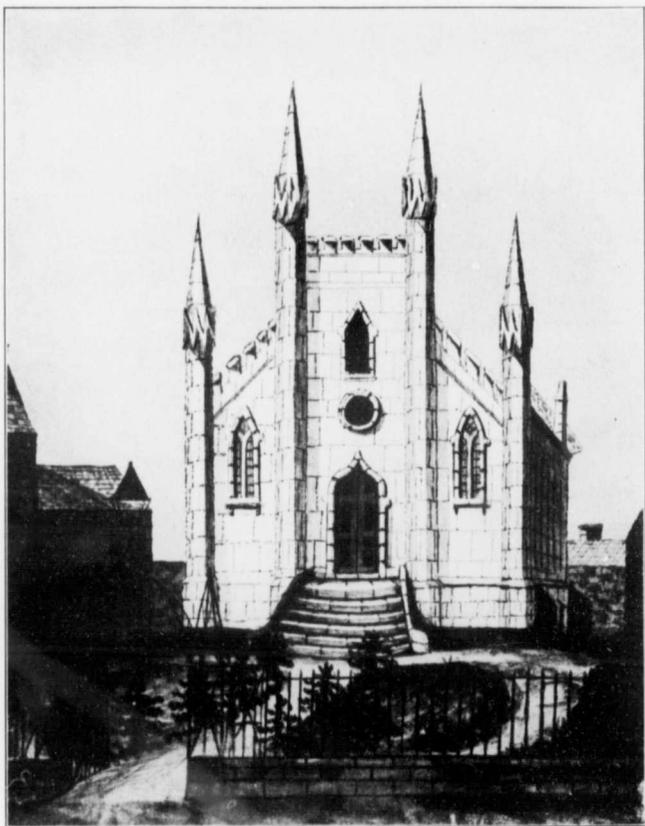


TRINITY CHURCH has always been to the present day a Military Church, and in its Clerical aspect it has proved itself to be a powerful factor in the religious element of Montreal.

Its pulpit has been filled by men conspicuous and renowned for the propagation of practical Christianity—its Wardens and Congregation have ever been loyal in times of financial stress and even in bankruptcy.

It is therefore a matter of no surprise that its present Congregation, on the recent occasion and celebration of its exterior and interior artistic renovation, point (devoid of arrogance) to the wonderful and ever-increasing period of spiritual and financial success it has enjoyed during the last seven years, and when one reviews the strenuous financial times the Church has passed through in its transition period from 1840, it is a monumental tribute of the spirit of loyalty to the 'King of Kings' that permeates its adherents.

To obtain a comprehensive idea of Trinity's transition, we will divide its history into three periods and permit our memories to carry us back to the days of the Imperial Military occupation, when the original Church was within a 'stone's throw' of the Military Barracks and was the regular place of worship for the troops of the Church of England, frequently presenting imposing sights, as they marched to Church in their varicoloured uniforms, keeping time to the Drums and Martial Music of the British Bands.



TRINITY CHURCH, ST. PAUL STREET, 1860

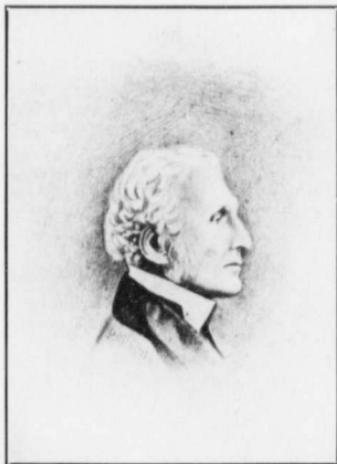
The First Trinity Church.

The original Trinity Church (no stone of which remains today) was built in 1840 on St. Paul Street, immediately opposite the centre of the Bonsecours Market, at the personal expense of Major William Plenderleath Christie, a son of General Christie of the "Royal Americans" (subsequently designated the 60th Rifles), and about whom little is known today except the indelible and deserved tribute to his memory as a Soldier who combined Christian philanthropy with his Military Profession.

The following is an extract from his "Deed of Gift" to the Church, three years after its erection. "On March 7th 1843, Major Christie gave the land containing, 75 feet 6 inches, more" "or less, in front, by 174 feet, more or less, in depth, bounded in front by St. Paul Street," "inrear at the end of the said depth, by the representatives of the late Hon. John" "Forsythe, on one side, by the property of the said donor, by him lately purchased" "from Joseph Papineau, Esqr, and on the other side by other property of him the said" "donor, said piece or parcel of land being of the extent of half an arpent more or less" "in superficies, together with a stone Chapel thereon erected and built, and duly dedi-" "cated and consecrated to the service of Almighty God, by the name of Trinity Chapel," "etc., etc., to Rt. Rev. Father in God, George Jehosaphat Mountain, Bishop of Montreal," "and his successors in office, from henceforth and for ever, etc."

The above gift was subject to certain reservations regarding Pew Holdings and the right of using the Vault beneath the Chapel for purpose of sepulture, but otherwise free of encumbrance. In regard to the reservation of sepulture right, there is no record in the Church Register to indicate that it was ever exercised, and the actual burial place of the Church's founder is unknown to the present Officers.

The edifice is described as an elegant structure, built in the Gothic style of architecture, 75 feet long by 44 feet wide. The interior was suitably fitted up and much admired.



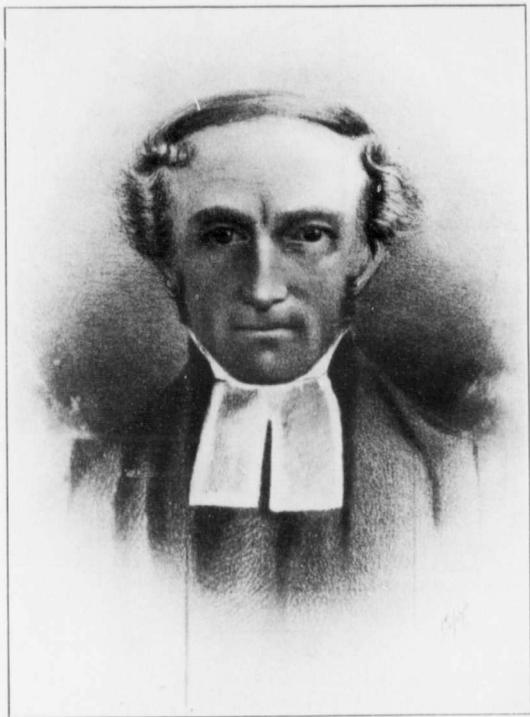
THE LORD BISHOP OF MONTREAL, 1840
THE RT. REV. G. J. MOUNTAIN, DD., D.C.L.

The dedication services were conducted by the Rt. Rev. George Jehosaphat Mountain, D. D., D. C. L., Bishop of Montreal, assisted by Bishop Hopkins, of Vermont, and the sermons were preached on the first Sunday by the Rev. Dean Bethune and the Rev. Mark Willoughby, the latter being the first Incumbent of the Church, Dr. Bethune being at the time the Rector of Christ Church.

The first Church Register was presented to the Church by the Rector (Rev. Mark Willoughby) and dated April 11th 1840.

The first entry in the Church Register bears the date April 26th, 1840, and the first Baptism is recorded under date of May 17, 1840. The first Marriage was solemnized on July 2nd, 1840, and the first Funeral took place on July 16th, 1840.

The first Military Registration recorded was the Baptism of Charles William, son of Gunner James Tidcombe of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, on June 28th, 1840.



First Rector of Trinity Church, REV. MARK WILLOUGHBY.

In 1842 the Rev. D. B. Parnter and the Rev. Frederick Broome were appointed Assistant Ministers to Mr. Willoughby. The year 1847 was the year of the terrible Ship Fever. While ministering to the victims of the dread disease in the emigrant sheds, the Rev. Mr. Willoughby contracted the fever, and on July 15th, after a few days' illness, he passed away at the age of fifty-three years. His funeral sermon was preached in Trinity Church by the Rev. W. B. Bond (late Lord Archbishop and Primate of all Canada), who also did heroic work among the sufferers, but providentially escaped the plague. It is recorded that His Grace was ordained as Priest in Trinity Church in October, 1841.

Upon the death of the Rev. Mr. Willoughby and the retirement of the Rev. Mr. Parnter the Rev. Mr. Broome was in charge until 1848.

After the death of Major Christie, which occurred about 1847, the presentation of the Incumbency was vested with Col. Wilgress, of Lachine, Messrs Jeffrey Hale of Quebec, and McGinnis, of Christieville, Quebec. They nominated the Rev. Alexander D. Campbell, who came from England early in the year 1848 to assume the Rectorship; he resigned in September, 1858.

The Rev. Canon Bancroft, D. D., the Rev. Mr. Campbell's successor, was appointed Rector of Trinity Church January 29th, 1859. Canon Bancroft ministered successively to the Congregation in St. Paul Street, Gosford Street, and St. Denis Street, laboring earnestly and faithfully for over seventeen years, until failing health compelled him, in 1876, to retire.

General Sir Richard D. Jackson, Commander of the Forces and Government Administrator in 1841-42, died suddenly in Montreal in July 1845 and was buried from the Church on St. Paul Street. It is assumed on good authority that the following Governor's-General at various times attended Divine Service at Trinity. His Excellency Earl Cathcart, Lord Sydenham, Sir Charles Metcalfe; and the following resolution at a Vestry Meeting on April 19th, 1849, would indicate Lord Elgin's presence at some time:—

Moved by Mr. Lindsay, seconded by Colonel Napier:

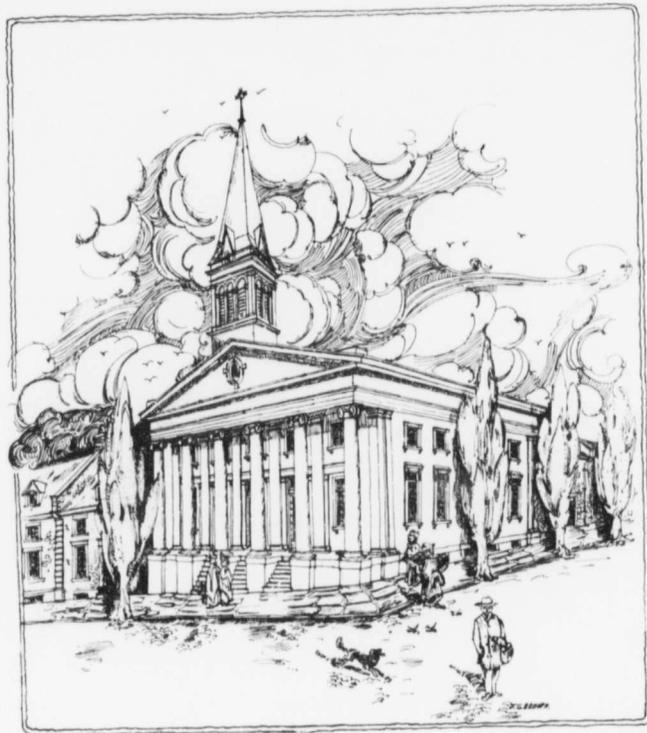
"That the pew originally fitted up and appropriated 'for the use of the Governor-General' shall be again offered for the same purpose to His Excellency the Earl of Elgin and 'his Staff.'"

The History of the Church from its inception to its present day high standing in the ranks of the City Churches of its own denomination is a proud one, and includes in its Roll of attendants at one time or another the following distinguished personages:—The Earl of Erroll, Colonel Napier, Colonel Campbell, General Gore and General Evans, General Buller, and Lord Wolseley (the two latter distinguished personages being junior Officers at the time of their sojourn here).



The Second Trinity Church.

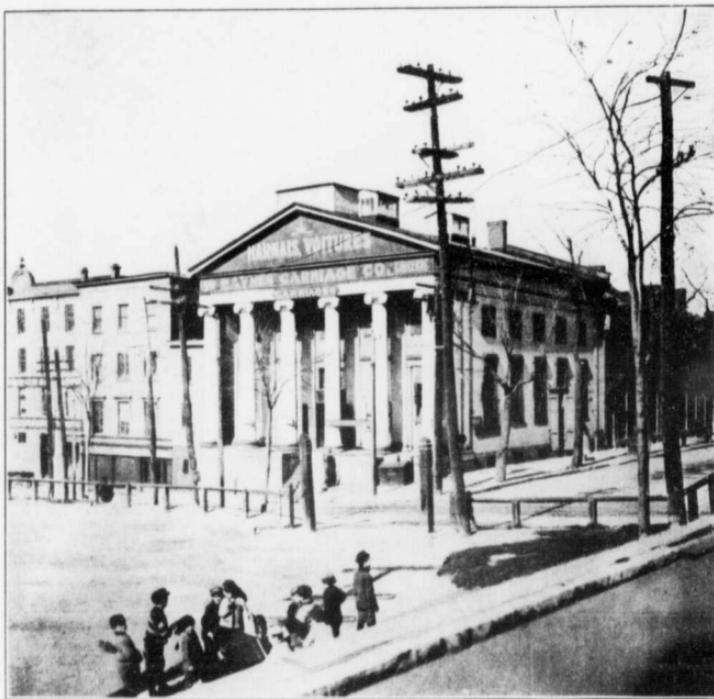
The Incumbency of the Rev. Dr. Bancroft was the transition period in the history of Trinity Church. By his zeal and energy the Congregation was increased until the old Church failed to accommodate the worshippers.



TRINITY CHURCH, GOSFORD STREET, 1860

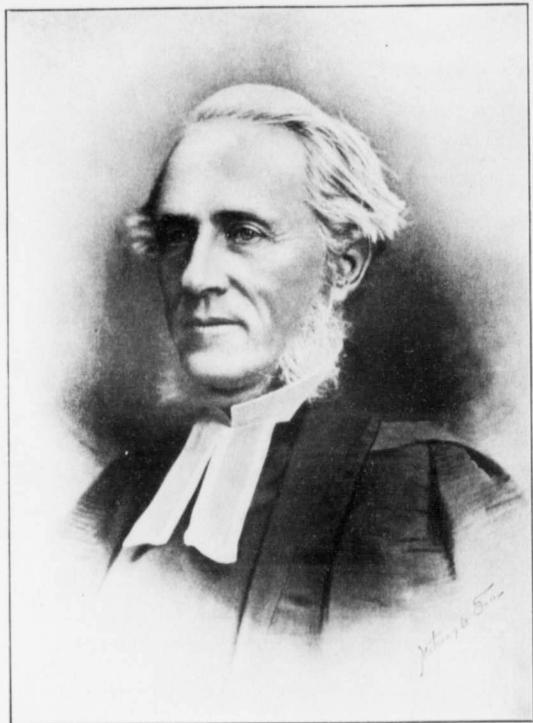
A coincidence worthy of note in the Rev. Dr. Bancroft's career, is that after many years of arduous labour and devotion to his work during times of financial troubles in the Church's history, he sacrificed his health, and just as he was about to retire, on being advised of a family "Windfall" he was so overjoyed he dropped dead on the spot.

In the year 1860, the Cathedral Congregation which, after the burning of their place of worship on Notre Dame Street, had occupied what was known as St. John's Church, on Gosford Street, removed to the new Cathedral on St Catherine Street, which was opened in the fall of that year. The Congregation of Trinity purchased this building, moved into it, and worshipped there for about ten years. The old church building on St. Paul Street was torn down and the lot sold.



TRINITY CHURCH, GOSFORD STREET, 1811 presently used as a Carriage Storage, and about to be demolished.

During Trinity Congregation's occupancy of this edifice many Military "incidents" occurred, conspicuous amongst them being the following:—the Obsequies of General Wyndham, the attendance there to worship of General MacGruder from the Southern States—brother of General MacGruder of the United States Northern Army, and whose daughter afterwards married Lord Avenger, an Officer attending the Church. Another memorable incident was the hasty recall from Divine Service one Sunday in July of 1866, of the 25th Regiment to mobilise for the Fenian Raid. The following cutting from a recent issue of the *Montreal Star* is interesting, and descriptive of the remarkable and curious transition this particular edifice has passed through and (if the *Star's* information is correct) it has been visited by the Royal Personage to whom this Publication is dedicated:



The Rector of Trinity, 1856. REV. CANON BANCROFT, D.D., L.L.D.

City Hall Annex in Building of Strange History.

VINEGAR FACTORY, CHURCH, THEATRE, WAREHOUSE and QUARTERS
OF ZOUAVES.

MADAME ALBANI MADE HER DEBUT THERE.

It also witnessed GEN. WYNDDHAM'S Funeral, attended by DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

"The proposed annex to the City Hall will be situated in one of the most interesting historic buildings in the city of Montreal, if the present plans of the Board of Control are carried out."

"The old vinegar factory on Gosford Street, which the Controllers propose to acquire for the purpose, served first as a church, then as a theatre, and then as quarters for the Papal Zouaves, before it became a vinegar factory. Now it is a Depot for the Baynes Carriage Company, of Toronto, and shortly it may become a branch of the City Hall."

"The building was erected some eighty years ago, and was known as St. John Church until 1860, when it became the Trinity Church, which it remained for ten years, until the building of the present Trinity Church on St. Denis Street. In 1860 it was vacated by the local worshippers, and was used exclusively for the garrison of Montreal, who had vacated their old church on Bonsecours Street. From then till now, it has been known to many as the Military Church though many of our cabbies designate it to the tourists as the old, vinegar factory or the old Dominion theatre."

"It was a few days after the place had been given exclusively to the use of the garrison of Montreal that it witnessed the funeral of General Wyndham, the first commander of the British forces, who died in Canada. His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, then a captain in the garrison, and now Governor-General of Canada, was at that funeral, as was also Lord Wolseley, ex-general commander of the Imperial armies."

"A few years after that funeral service, which was the most imposing seen up to that time in Montreal, the old church was changed into a theatre, the largest and most modern theatre in Montreal, though it did not prove to be the most successful. One of the first plays to be given on its stage was "The Commune," a sensational melodrama supposed to give a living picture of the French Commune and of the incendiaries of Paris. Kate Quinton, whose fame was more than passing in Montreal, held the first part in the play and made quite a hit."

"After one full year of melodrama, the owners of the theatre tried their luck with vaudeville, giving especial attention to local talent. Out of the many amateurs who made their first debut was Mr. J. M. Fortier, whose success as a dancer was, however, not great enough to keep him away from the tobacco business. The late A. Brazeau, whose memory is still cherished by the local consumers of the weed, also made his debut at the Dominion, as did also Miss Emma Lajeunesse, now Madame Albani, who was then a plain piano player, with only a faint idea of the powers of her soprano voice."

"But the Dominion was not a success, and in 1871, its name was changed into that of Debar's Opera, and it was in the Debar's Opera, that was played the first drama of Mr. L. Guyon, the now provincial factory inspector. This took place in 1878, and the name of the play was "Le Secret de la Roche Noire." In the following year another play by the same author, "La Fleur de Lys," was also presented. Both plays were produced by the Cercle Dramatique Jacques Cartier, an organization of French Canadian amateurs, who were the pioneers of the French theatre in America."

"In 1889, the Cercle Jacques-Cartier saw its Waterloo, when the building became the property of His Grace Mgr. Bourget, who placed it at the disposal of the Union Allet, an organization of the Zouaves Canadiens, who had participated in the defence of the temporal power of Pius IX. The transaction was made through Mr. John A. Rafter, who is still in the real estate business."

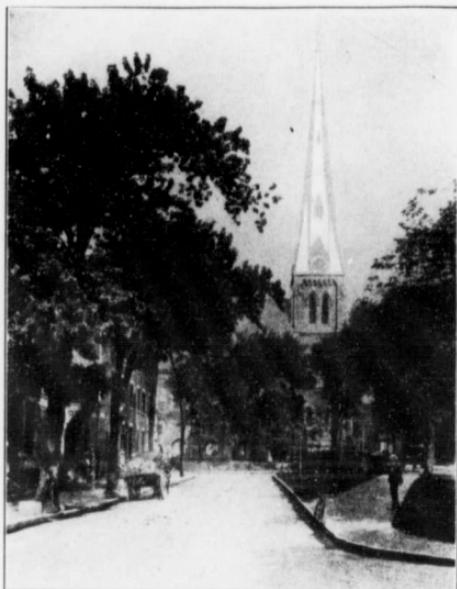
"The Zouaves occupied the place for only one year, after which it was bought by"
"Mr. Michel Lefebvre, who, as manufacturer of vinegar, made the first success of the place"
"since it had ceased to be a church. In 1892 it was sold to Mr. A. Brisset, and ten"
"years later, was bought by Mr. Theodore Lefebvre, the present owner. Since the place"
"was given up by Mr. Michel Lefebvre, it was occupied by Messrs. Gravel and"
"Duhamel, as a carriage store, who had for successors the Baynes Carriage Company,"
"the actual occupants of the place.

"On the 16th of December, 1906, the building was visited by fire which destroyed the"
"tower on top of the roof, in the front, in which had been a statue of Jacques Cartier"
"since the place was occupied by the Cercle Jacques-Cartier.

The Gosford Street Church was erected and opened in 1845; it was built in the Grecian style of architecture: the length of the building, including the portico, was seventy-eight feet, the width fifty feet, and the height fifty feet. The portico had six Ionic columns, twenty-six feet six inches in height. The church seated 840 persons. This place was not considered suitable for a permanent place of worship, and the Congregation soon began to talk about building elsewhere. The old Gosford Street building is still standing.



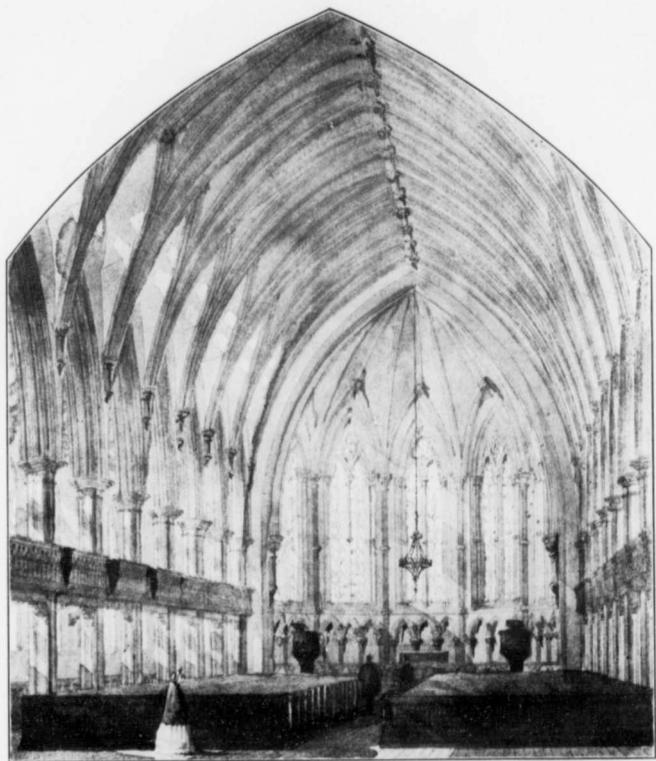
The Present Trinity Church.



TRINITY CHURCH, 1911 Corner ST. DENIS ST. and PLACE VIGER SQUARE.



A site was secured at the north west corner of Viger Square and St. Denis Street, and early in 1864 work on the proposed new church was commenced. The corner-stone was laid on Thursday, June 23rd, 1864, by the Lord Bishop and Metropolitan, Bishop Fulford. Those who took part were the Very Rev. the Dean, Archdeacon Scott, D.D., the Rev. Canon Leach, D.C.L., LL. D., and the Incumbent, the Rev. Canon Bancroft, D. D. The *Gloria* was chanted by the Choir and children of the Sunday School, under the direction of Mr. Bamby, the Organist. *The Band of the 30th Regiment was in attendance.*



Chancel and Body of present TRINITY CHURCH.

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The church was opened for public worship September 17th, 1865. The dedicatory sermon was preached in the morning by the Most Rev. Francis Fulford, D. D., Lord Bishop of Montreal and Metropolitan. The Right Rev. J. Travers Lewis, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L., Lord Bishop of Ontario, preached in the afternoon, and the Right Rev. Benjamin Cronyn, D. D., Lord Bishop of Huron, at the evening service.

Numerous instances of generous donations towards the completion of the church are recorded. The two upper storeys of the tower and the spire of the church were completed in 1866, through the munificence of Mrs. William Molson, who gave ten thousand dollars for that object.

A tablet in the vestibule of the church bears an inscription commemorative of her generosity. *The Font, Lectern, Reading Desk and Pulpit were gifts from military officers then in England, who had attended the old church when they were stationed in Montreal.* The Chancel windows were also gifts. The centre one was presented by Mr. Charles Garth, in memory of the Rev. M. Willoughby. *One on the left side of the Chancel was given by Colonel Moffatt;* another by Mr. J. G. Mackenzie, in memory of his wife; on the right is one in memory of Charles C. Brydges, from his father, and another from Mr. Henry Rogers, of Wolverhampton, England.

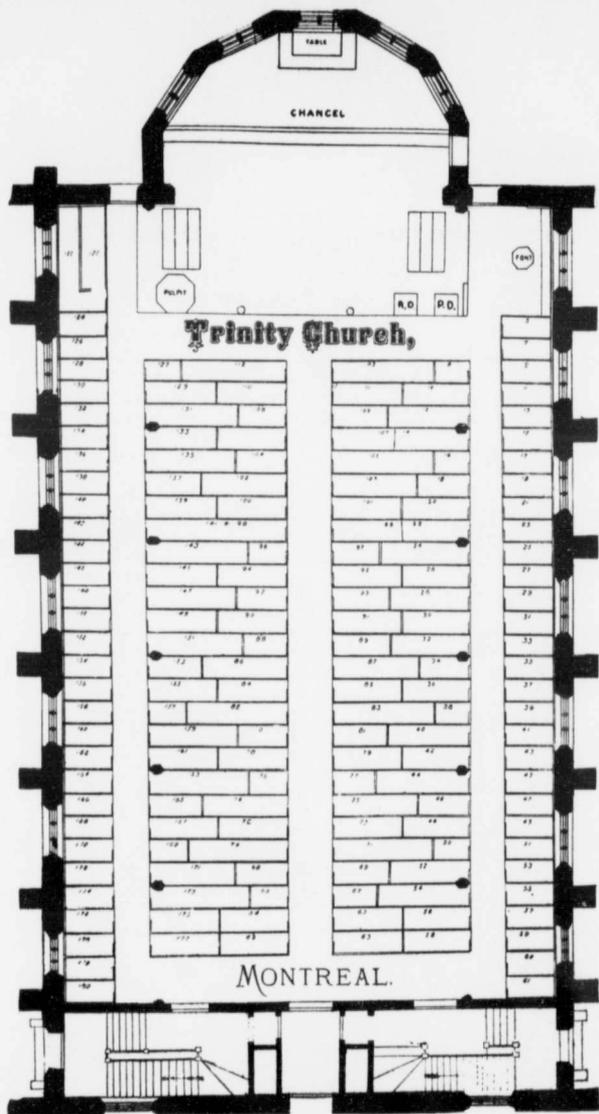
The following are the dimensions of the church: Length outside, 173 feet; width outside, 78 feet; height of church to top of ceiling inside, 52 feet 6 inches; height of spire, 200 feet; tower outside, including buttresses, 32 feet square. The ground floor will comfortably seat 850 persons, the gallery 400, while 1,500 can be accommodated, if required. The basement is 113 feet by 65 feet, and is used for Lecture Hall and School Room purposes. The building is of the early English Gothic style of architecture.

But the church, which had such an auspicious beginning, was destined to pass through a season of trial and financial straits. The original plan was to build a church to cost \$50,000 and accommodate a thousand persons. This plan was altered so as to afford accommodation for 1,500 persons, and the cost was increased in proportion. The burden of debt was so great that, in 1882, the mortgage was foreclosed, and the Trust & Loan Company, to secure themselves, bought the property at sheriff's sale. The Company, however, granted the Congregation permission to use the building for Divine Service.

During the Rectorship of the Rev. Dr. Bancroft, the assistant ministers were the Rev. W. B. Curran, who resigned in March, 1864; Rev. Douglas Borthwick, who officiated from November, 1865, to May, 1866. The Right Rev. J. P. Dumoulin, M. A., Bishop of Niagara, who followed, first officiated as assistant minister on May 20th, 1866. His earnest eloquence will never be forgotten by the generation to whom he ministered. He resigned in September, 1870. The Rev. O. Fortin, B. A., acted as assistant minister from November, 1872, to September, 1875; he left to accept the charge of Trinity Church, Winnipeg, of which he is still the Rector, as well as being Archdeacon of Rupert's land. The Rev. Canon Empson, M. A., assisted from April to October, 1872, and the Rev. R. W. B. Webster from March to November, 1876.

On the resignation of Dr. Bancroft, the Rev. G. Baylis took charge of the work for about six months, at the end of which time, September, 1877, the Rev. W. Craig was appointed Rector. After two years in that position he resigned, and was succeeded by the Rev. John Walters, who assumed the charge in April, 1880, and remained during the troublous times until the closing of the church in 1882.

Through the exertions of His Lordship, then Bishop Bond, and the Rev. Archdeacon Evans, and the liberality of Mr. A. F. Gault, Mr. Charles Garth and other friends, a sufficient sum was raised to recover the property and thus save it to the Congregation.



Ground Plan of Present Church.



THE LORD BISHOP OF MONTREAL, 1911. RT. REV. JOHN CRAGG FARTHING, D.D.
Whose first Official act in Montreal was the Consecration of Trinity Church, on January 13th, 1908.

The Rev. Canon Mills was appointed to the charge in September, 1882. The burden of debt which caused so much discouragement, was reduced during the Rectorship of Canon Mills to ten thousand dollars. In addition to his untiring and unremitting efforts, Canon Mills contributed \$3,800 toward paying off the church's encumbrance. Mr. Charles Garth added to his already munificent donations the sum of \$1,400. Mr. A. F. Gault gave \$1,000, in addition to many generous gifts on former occasions.

The Rev. E. A. Willoughby King, B. A., a godson of the first minister of the church, was assistant minister to Canon Mills.

The Rev. Canon Mills, after fourteen years of faithful labor as Rector, resigned at the Easter Vestry Meeting in 1896, and on October 1st of the same year, his connection with the church ceased, much to the regret of the Congregation.

The Rev. Frederick H. Graham B.A. was appointed to succeed him, and entered upon his new duties immediately. During his incumbency the work of the parish prospered greatly; every year saw very material increases both in attendance and finances. In addition to meeting all current expenses, it was found possible to reduce the mortgage debt by eleven hundred dollars. It was with great regret that the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Graham was received in December, 1901, when he accepted the Rectorship of St. Saviour's Church, at Nelson, B. C.

On January 6th, 1902, the Rev. C. G. Rollit, formerly Assistant Minister of the Church of St. James the Apostle, was appointed Rector. During Mr. Rollit's Rectorship the mortgage debt of the church was reduced \$2,900.

The present Rector was appointed at a special Vestry Meeting in April, 1904, and entered upon his duties in May of the same year.

The Church was freed from all debt and Consecrated by the Rt. Rev. John Cragg Farthing, being his first Official act in the Diocese, on the 13th January, 1908.

The Holy Communion was celebrated at 8 A. M. and Matins at 11 A. M., the Preacher being the Bishop of Ontario, the Rt. Rev. Lennox Mills, former Rector of Trinity Church.

Bishop Farthing Consecrated the church and preached at Evensong.

On October 2nd, 1910, the church narrowly escaped destruction by fire, from some unknown cause, at one o'clock in the morning, and, but for the prompt action of the Sexton and the Fire-Brigade, it would in all likelihood have been reduced to ashes. The damage incurred was between \$2,000 and \$3,000.

The present Rector The Rev. J. M. Almond, M. A., is a graduate of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and was ordained to the priesthood September 1897. He began his ministry as missionary on the Labrador Coast; was attached to the Cathedral at Quebec; served as Chaplain of the 19th Brigade in South Africa, where he took part in twenty-seven engagements, holding the medal and three clasps for the same; at the close of the war he returned to his duties in the Cathedral, where he served until September, 1901, when he was offered and accepted the Rectorship of Grand'Mere, Quebec, in the year 1904. Mr. Almond began his work as Rector on May 18th, 1904. Since that time Trinity Church has advanced to a position of prominence, and is rapidly recovering her old power and prestige. A man of remarkable personality, a preacher of great force, gifted with an unusual ability for organization, loved by

all his people, Mr. Almond has won for himself a unique place in the Canadian Church.

In addition to the Rectorship, the Rev. Mr. Almond holds the following Official and Honorary appointments:—Chaplain to the 6th Duke of Connaught's Royal Canadian Hussars, Grand Chaplain Ancient Order of Freemasons, Chaplain to the Montreal Jail, President of the "Last Post" Fund, Hon. Chaplain of the British Army and Navy Veterans' Association, and a Member of the Sons of England Benefit Society.

The Rev. R. W. Norwood, M. A., is a graduate of King's College, Windsor, Nova Scotia. He afterwards took a post graduate course in Theology at the General Theological Seminary, New York, and in Philosophy at the University of Columbia.

Since his ordination to the priesthood he has served in the following places:—Missionary at Neil's Harbour, Cape Breton;



OUR RECTOR—REV. JOHN MACPHERSON ALMOND, M.A.



OUR RECTOR'S ASSISTANT, REV. R. W. NORWOOD, M.A.

Curate to his father, the Rev. J. W. Norwood, Hubbard's, Nova Scotia; Rector of Holy Trinity, Bridgewater, Nova Scotia; Curate to the Rev. James Clayton Mitchell, Holy Trinity, Hoboken, N. J.; Rector of All Saints, Springhill, Nova Scotia. He was appointed Assistant at the Easter Vestry Meeting of Trinity Church, 1909, and entered upon his duties the first Sunday of September of the same year on a stipend of \$1,500, which was raised six months later to \$1,800 and within the year to \$2,000.

The Rev. Mr. Norwood is a young man of exceptional ability as a preacher, and is ranked as one of the foremost preachers in the Canadian Church.

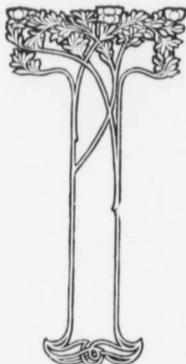
The following is, as nearly as can be ascertained, a correct list of the Wardens of the Church since its commencement: Capt. J. H. Maitland and Joseph Jones, 1840; Messrs. Jones and Maitland, 1843; Col. Maitland, Robert Mackay, 1846; Col. Maitland, John Lovell, 1847; John Lovell, Capt. Maitland, 1848; Joseph Jones, Geo. Pyke, 1849; Thos. Hawkins, Geo. Pyke, 1850; probably re-elected in 1852; in August, 1852, Thos. Hawkins resigned, and James Torry was appointed in his stead; Wm. Henry Hopper and Joseph Tiffin were appointed in 1853; Mr.

Hopper and Mr. Pyke, in 1854; Mr. Hopper and Mr. John Campbell, in 1855; William Turner was elected in 1856, with probably Mr. Campbell re-elected; John Sloan and A. N. Rennie, 1857; Mr. Rennie and Mr. W. Drumm, 1858; Robert Kirby, Joseph Jones, 1859; W. A. Merry, Joseph Jones, 1860; Mr. Merry and Mr. Charles Garth, 1862; Messrs. Jones and Chas. Garth, 1866; Mr. C. J. Brydges, Mr. C. Garth, 1869; Messrs. James Jack and Chas. Lee, 1872; Capt. Durnford, Joseph Jones, 1875; Mr. Jones, Dr. Perrigo, 1876; Major Frederick Cole, P. A. Crossby, 1877; Mr. Cole, Mr. J. G. Howden, 1880; Mr. W. W. Le Messurier, manager, 1881; Mr. Le Messurier and S. C. Fatt, 1883; Mr. Andrew Baile, S. C. Fatt, 1885; Mr. Baile and Mr. Charles Garth, 1886; Mr. E. J. Bone and Mr. Charles Garth, 1889; Mr. Garth and Mr. Bone, 1890; Mr. Garth and Mr. Henry Miles, 1892; Mr. A. Baile and Mr. E. H. Lydon, 1899; Mr. Jas. Mitchell and Mr. E. H. Butteris, 1898; Messrs. Mitchell and T. P. Williams were elected, 1902. Rector's and People's Wardens respectively; Messrs. Mitchell and T. P. Williams were re-elected in 1903 and 1904.

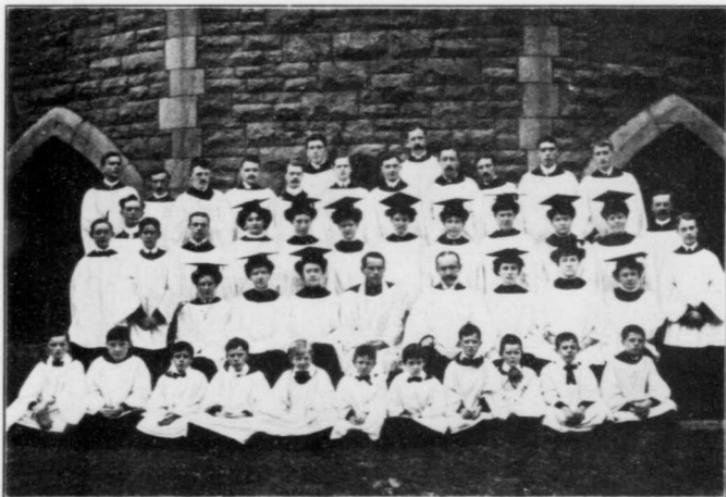
The Wardens, elected in 1905 to 1907, were Mr. T. G. Wells, Rector's Warden, and Mr. F. W. Heath, People's Warden.

The present Wardens elected at Easter of 1908-9-10-11 are Lt. Colonel Arthur F. Gault, Rector's Warden, and Mr. W. S. Campbell, People's Warden.

It is worthy of note that amongst the Wardens we find five military men—the first and present day Rector's Wardens being military officers and one of that number—the late Major Frederick Cole—a Veteran of the Fenian Raids of 1866-1870 has four sons officers in the Canadian Militia today, viz.:—Lt. Colonel F. Minden Cole, Capt. A. W. Cole, Major Ernest C. Cole and Capt. L. Heber Cole, all of whom are prominent in the propagation of all that tends to the military welfare of the Empire.



The Choir of Trinity Church.



The Choir of Trinity Church has for years been noted for its large membership, devotional service and excellent standard. Mr. E. Sweeting is the present Organist and Musical Director. Mr. C. M. Cameron has the boys of the Choir under his tuition. Mrs. C. M. Cameron is the leader and soloist.

Sunday School.

In the earliest days of Trinity Church a Sunday School was established, and its work is carried on by the Rector and an efficient staff of officers and teachers.

During the sixty odd years that the Sunday School has been in operation, it has had only five Superintendents. Mr. Henry Bancroft, a brother of Canon Bancroft, was the first. He was followed by Mr. William Cooper, who subsequently left Montreal to reside at Longueuil. Mr. E. H. Butteris was the third Superintendent, and held office for over 25 years. Mr. Butteris was appointed Rector's Warden in 1898, and was replaced in the Sunday School by Mr. W. S. Campbell. Mr. Campbell retired in 1903, and Mr. W. E. Sullivan assumed the duties for one year, when Mr. Campbell was re-appointed. Mr. F. S. Davy became Superintendent in 1908, and still holds office.

The present teachers and officers are:—

Mr. F. S. Davy, Superintendent.
Miss Idler, Librarian.
Miss Le Messurier,
Miss Almond,
Miss May Idler,
Miss Lily Idler,
Miss Finnie,
Miss Grant,
Mr. Forneri,
Mr. Wynn
Mr. Swayne.

Trinity Young Men's Association.

Trinity Young Men's Association was first organized in 1863 and existed for several years when it was disbanded. It was revived in 1904 under a revised constitution and by-laws.

Meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday evenings in each month. The Meetings are social in character, and the main object of the Association is to keep in touch with young men and interest them in the Church and its work.

The government of the Association is in the hands of an Executive Committee consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer and three Members.

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Hon. President, Rev. J. M. ALMOND, M. A.; *President*, Mr. W. J. IDLER, JR.; *Vice-President*, Mr. H. L. BUTTERIS; *Secretary*, Mr. G. LUMLEY; *Treasurer*, Mr. A. C. TELFER; *Executive Committee*, MESSRS. W. WOOLLEY, H. G. WYNN, T. MORGAN; *Social Committee*, MESSRS. W. WOOLLEY, H. G. WYNN, F. MORGAN, J. W. BELL, T. MORGAN.

Dramatic and Literary Club.

This Club was organized in 1909, and since that time has had a rapid growth. It is already ranked among the leading amateur clubs in the city. Regular Monthly Meetings are held at which a Programme of a Dramatic and Literary character is rendered. In addition to the regular Meetings, plays from time to time are presented and always to a large and interested audience.

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Assistant-Secretary, Miss ALMOND;

Committee:—C. PULLEN, A. B. FINNIE, F. C. MORTIMER.

Chancel Guild.

The Chancel Guild cares for the Sanctuary, its hangings, ornaments, sacred vessels, vestments of clergy and choir, chancel decorations, etc.

The meetings are held every week, on Tuesday afternoon.

President, Miss LE MESSURIER;

Secretary, Miss CAIRNS.

Mothers' Meeting.

The Mothers' Meeting was organized in 1910, and is making itself felt in the eastern portion of the parish along lines of a practical character.

President, Miss LE MESSURIER;
Vice-President, Mrs. PEARSON;
Secretary, Mrs. WELLS;
Assistant-Secretary, Mrs. DRESSER.

Junior Brotherhood.

The Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew was organized in 1911, and is doing good work along parochial lines. The boys are loyal, enthusiastic, and devoted. The Chapter meets on the first and third Fridays of the month in the Vestry at 7.30 P. M.

OFFICERS

Director, Rev. R. W. NORWOOD;
Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Sydney HAMILTON.

Women's Auxiliary.

The Women's Auxiliary, which represents our parochial interest in the great cause of Missions, and keeps in touch with Church extension in the domestic and foreign field, meets every Friday afternoon, and devotes the hours in missionary prayer, reading and work.

President, Mrs. FINNIE;
Secretary, Mrs. MACDONALD;
Treasurer, Mrs. THOMAS.



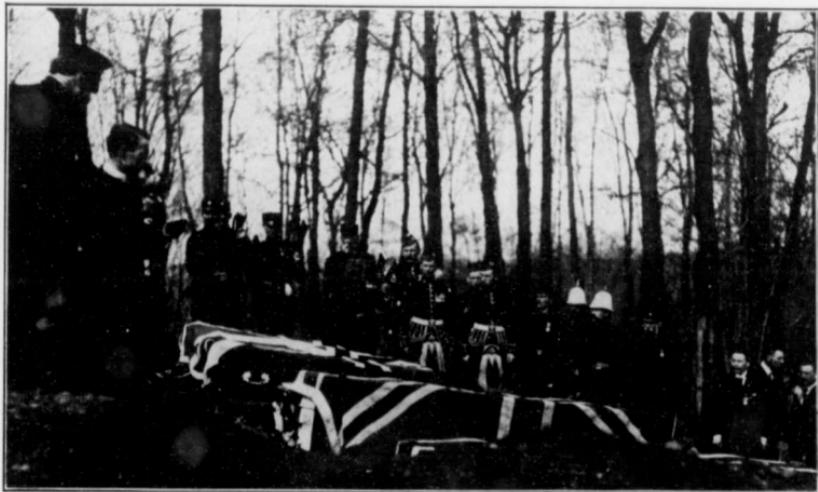
*Long may this work endure, and ne'er decay
But be supported to the latest day
All loyal subjects to the King and State
Will say Amen! maugre all spleen and hate.*

—*Marichalus Peloux.*

The "Last Post" Fund.

A further tribute to the military character of Trinity Congregation is the close connection it has with this unique and worthy Cause—one which strives to uphold the dignity of the Empire's United Services by making it impossible for a 'derelict' member through adverse circumstances to be denied 'six feet of the ground he offered his life for.' This absolutely undenominational Organisation found its inception in Trinity Vestry under the supervision (by express wish of His Excellency Earl Grey, G. C. M. G., G. C. V. O., P. C.) of the late Brigadier-General Lawrence Buchan, C. V. O., C. M. G., A. D. C. and its first President elect was the Rev. J. M. Almond—a Trusteeship also being vested permanently in the Rectorship of Trinity Church by virtue of its military connections.

The work accomplished to date would fill a volume in itself and has been the subject of highly eulogistic comment by the most prominent British and Canadian Generals. The accompanying picture portrays the Inaugural opening of the Plots in the Protestant and Roman Catholic Cemeteries and the interment of seven deceased Comrades.



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