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The First Church Bell.

"The first church bell in the Stocan will call saint and sinner to worship at New Denver to-morrow."—News item.

"I never quit a camp until I hear the first church bell."—Jim Ward, prospector, philosopher and New Denver pioneer.

"Say Bill what was that chimin' sound I heard a while ago?
It sounded like a church bell,
A-ringin' soft and low,
And stirrin' up old memories
With its echoes, don't you know."

* * * *

He was digging on the mountain—
Silver Mountain—when a bell
Sent up from far below him,
Soft as any funeral knell,
Its first imploring music,
And it bound him in a spell.

And, musing, down the crooked trail—
Hat in hand—to where "Old Bill"
Cooked the hammocks and the bacon
In their camp beside a rill,
Walked the searcher after treasure,
Pioneer of Silver Hill.

Another time, a church, a bride,
Like some old, forgotten song,
Memory brought back to the searcher,
As he heedless strode along.

Another time, a church, a bier,
Came with memory's rushing throng.

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"There Bill, its startin' in again,
Ringin' soft and ringin' low.
You reckon its in Denver,
The new church bell? Bill you know
This old camp is almost done for
And its time for us to go."

DAVID W. KING.

May 12th., 1899.

Church Opening in the Stocan.

THE Anglican Church in New Denver, henceforth to be known as St. Stephen's, was opened with appropriate ceremonies on Sunday last, and the attendance at both the morning and evening services completely filled the building. The services were conducted by the Incumbent, the Rev. C. F. Yates, and the opening sermons preached by the Rev. H. Beer of Kaslo, at Mattins, and the Rev. H. S. Akehurst of Nelson at Evensong. In the Communion Office Mr. Akehurst was the Celebrant. The services, which were fully choral, were pronounced by all to be exceptionally fine, and great credit is due to Mr. Smitheringale for the efficient training of the choir. Among the congregation were many visitors who were surprised that such excellent music could be rendered in a town the size of New Denver, and gave expression to their verdict that "it could not have been surpassed in even the coast cities."

The Vicar desires, through the

RECORD, to publicly thank the choir leader, Mr. Smitheringale, as also Mrs. Millward, who so ably presided at the organ, all the ladies and gentlemen of the choir for their valuable aid in so successfully carrying out their part of the service; Mr. Cleland, for his assistance in reading the lessons, and those who so kindly sent flowers and potted plants for the decorations.

As the RECORD finds its way to many homes both east and west, a short description of the church, which is acknowledged to be one of the neatest and best appointed places of worship in the Slovan, may be of some interest.

The main building is 40 feet long by 20 feet wide, with a west porch of 12 feet by 6 feet forming a vestibule and giving access through side doors north and south. The interior of the church is of cedar, panelled and finished in hard oil, the colors of the wood and handsome tinted windows, giving a pleasing effect; the roof is open to the apex, the cedar ceiling being placed over dressed rafters and all supported with trusses strongly braced with iron bands to the rafters both at top and bottom. At the East end a chancel is formed by throwing a rood screen across the building and placing two small rooms on either side, one used as a vestry, the other for the storage of such articles of church furniture as are not in immediate use. Substantial and comfortable pews are in place, leaving a good broad aisle down the centre of the church, with organ and lectern on the south side, and pulpit and clergy pew on the north side. The Altar is approached by three steps, and the sanctuary separated from the chancel platform by a neat rail,

the aisles and chancel all being carpeted. A white dossal with gold border, hangs at the back of the Altar, with side wings of a dark red, matching the super-frontal, which is a very handsome piece of embroidery sent to Mr. Yates from England, the Communion vessels used at the Celebration on Sunday are of solid silver and were also sent to him from London by the C. B. S. The exterior painting is yet to be done, and will be proceeded with in a few weeks,—the ladies of the congregation intending to serve lunch at New Denver's celebration on the 24th., in order to make up the required fund.

The bell is ordered from West Troy, N. Y. and will probably arrive and be put in place before the next service. The total cost of the building and furnishing is in the neighborhood of \$1400 of which some \$200 were subscribed in New Denver and the vicinity, \$72 sent from the S. P. C. K., and the balance, the gifts of a few kind Church members in the United States and England, who particularly desire that no special mention be made of their respective donations. It is hoped that the small amount still needed to clear the building of debt will be made up within the next few weeks, so that it may be consecrated by the Bishop on his return from England. The building was designed by G. D. Curtis, Architect of Nelson, and erected under a contract with M. McLean, who has done his work in an excellent manner, while the painting is being attended to by the well known decorator J. H. Millward.

The following was the order of opening services: Processional Hymn, "The Church's One Found-

ation," No. 215. *Venite*, Aldrich. Psalms: 20th. Aldrich; 24th. Humphreys. *Te Deum*, Jackson. Anthem, "Lift up Your Heads O Ye Gates," Hopkins. *Kyrie*, Ancient French Litany Chant. *Gloria Tibi*, Mendelssohn. Hymn, "We Love the Place O God," No. 242. Hymn, "Christ is made the sure Foundation," No. 396. Hymn, "And now O Father," No. 322. *Gloria in Excelsis*. Hymn, "Jesu Gentlest Saviour," No. 324.

Evensong:

Processional, "Glorious things of thee are spoken," 545. Psalms: 47, Goodson; 48, Dr. Nares; 150, Humphreys. *Magnificat*, Chartres. *Nunc Dimittis*, W. Felton. Anthem, "Lift up Your Heads O Ye Gates," Hopkins. Hymn, "Come ye faithful," No. 302. Offertory Solo, "Calvary," Rodney. Hymn, "Sweet Saviour bless us," No. 28.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Holy Trinity.

VESTRY MEETING.

THE Churchwardens beg leave to submit herewith the regular Annual Statement of the Property and Accounts of the Parish.

By referring to the Statement of Accounts, it will be seen that the Church Committee started with a deficit of \$136.33. They are glad to be able to report that this has now been reduced to \$15.18.

The destruction of the Cathedral by fire took place on Sep. 10th. and 11th. last. The insurance on the building amounted to \$6000.00, and was recovered in full. The insurance on the organ of \$1500.00 was also paid.

Since the fire and up to April 1st., one service each Sunday has

been held in the Presbyterian Church. The Church Committee made arrangements with the congregation of St. Barnabas' for the services of our Rector twice each Sunday, in consideration of which the Committee of St. Barnabas' contributed \$50.00 per month towards the Rector's stipend, and which amount has been promptly received the first of each month.

At a congregational meeting held in Baker's Hall, it was resolved to restore the Cathedral, and a building committee was appointed. This rebuilding has been carried on by day labour, and is approaching completion.

The bells (with the exception of the one in use at the time of the fire,) were destroyed. The Church Committee decided to sell the metal, and found the best market in San Francisco, the net amount received being \$704.00. At a congregational meeting held in the Presbyterian School room, it was resolved unanimously to use this money for the interior fittings and completion of the Cathedral.

The insurance on St. Leonard's Hall amounting to \$2000.00, was sufficient to satisfy all claims against the property, including a balance owing to Mr. Geo. Turner of \$190 and leaving a balance in the Bank of B. C. of \$65.85.

The two lots on Oak St. near Fifth Avenue, have been sold, subject to the written consent of the Bishop, and will net to the Vestry about \$200.00.

The Church Committee have not been able to see their way toward the payment of the taxes on the Maple Ridge property.

The Churchwardens wish to express strongly to the congregation, that it seems to them absolutely essential for the proper maintenance

of the services of the Cathedral, that each and every member should make regular contributions, in the shape of envelope subscriptions. This provides a regular and steady income, on which alone the officers of the Cathedral can base their calculations. The receipts from the open offertory are so small, that it is felt that those who contribute only in this way do not give as much as they could and should do.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. E. PHILLIPS } Church-
T. S. ANNANDALE } wardens.

April 17th., 1899.

Statement of Accounts, 1898—1899.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hand Easter, '98 \$ 53 87

COLLECTIONS GENERAL :

Envelopes..... 934 15
Loose..... 333 05
Subscriptions 109 80
————— 1377 00

COLLECTIONS SPECIAL :

Ascension, S. P. G..... 22 60
All Saints, S. P. C. K. 8 45
Christmas Diocesan Fund 10 20
Home Mission Fund... 109 50
Easter Offering..... 56 30
————— 207 05

SUNDRIES ;

Synodals from Whatso-
ever Society 20 00
Sale of stove 15 00
Refund Housing Bells... 11 00
Pearson, use of organ... 5 00
————— 51 00

ST. BARNABAS' :

6 months 300 00
————— 1988 92

BALANCE 62 52

EXPENDITURE.

STIPENDS :

Rector, 2 months arrears 200 00
Rector, 11 months..... 1100 00
Organist, 12 months..... 83 75
Organ Blower, 12 m'ths 42 35
Care taker..... 52 50

Light, 6 months 17 40
Insurance, \$2,000.00, for
3 years 32 00
Easter Offering..... 56 30
Hymn Books..... 55 50

CANONICAL DUES :

S. P. G..... 22 60
S. P. C. K..... 8 45
Christmas Diocesan Fund 10 20
Home Mission Fund..... 109 50
Sundries 135 85
Balance in hand..... 62 52
————— \$ 1988 92

*Audited and, excepting production of
Vouchers destroyed in the fire, correct.*

*WALTER J. WALKER,
City Auditor.*

April 25th., 1899.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES :

LIABILITIES :

One month's stipend for
Rector 100 00
Synodal dues 1898..... 20 00
————— \$ 120 00
Balance..... 15 18

ASSETS :

Balance in Bank 62 52
Amount of arrears..... 42 30
Contra Balance..... 15 18
————— \$ 120 00

It is with feelings of very deep regret that we have to report that our church is making little progress towards completion. We were assured that we might reasonably hope to be able to hold services in the new building by Easter, and now two months have elapsed, and the work done in that time has made little appreciable difference. It is earnestly to be hoped that pressure may be brought to bear, that the work may suffer no longer delay. The ladies who kindly offered to collect for the Rebuilding Fund have reported as follows: Amounts promised, \$466.15; Amounts paid, \$203.55.

The names of the subscribers will be published in the RECORD,

when the subscription is completed.

The following is a list of our Wants, which perhaps some of our friends will help us to obtain. We shall be glad to receive any help that may be offered.

(a) To complete fabric of the church \$1300. (b) For fence cribbing, draining, outhouse, and cleaning up church yard, \$750. (c) For vestry furniture, \$100. (d) Cocoa nut matting for aisles. (e) Frontals and super frontals for Altar.

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St. Barnabas'.

The annual vestry meeting of St. Barnabas' Church was held in the parish room on the evening of April 24th., when the following Officers were elected for the ensuing year: Lay delegates, H. A. Eastman, A. de W. Haszard, and W. N. Draper.

For Peoples' Warden there were two nominations, Mr. Sayer and Mr. Naftel; the former declining through inability to attend the meetings, Mr. Naftel was unanimously elected. The Rector then chose Mr. Corbould as his Warden, which was received with applause. For Sidesmen the election of Mr. G. Simpson and Mr. J. H. Shirley was unanimously received. Votes of thanks were passed to Miss Power and members of the choir; to Mrs. Turnbull for supplying as a gift, flowers during the year; to Mr. Shirley the retiring People's Warden, and officials of the church; to Rev. A. Shildrick for his able and kind ministrations during the interregnum (applause); the ladies' working party; to Mrs. Atkinson and Mr. Brown for assisting at the organ.

The purchase of a new organ was decided on, and the business

pertaining thereto was left in the hands of the Rector and the working party. This opened out a discussion on ways and means, and the question of raising funds for Church purposes by means of entertainments. Dancing though admitted to be harmless in itself, was decided against, as an undesirable way of assisting Church funds; it was felt that as far as possible, direct giving was the correct principle to proceed upon. Finally it was resolved that the programme of all entertainments under the auspices of the Church, be first submitted to the Rector for approval. The meeting then closed with prayer.

BURIALS:—On May 6th., Alfred Stone Sprout of "Norland," Burnaby; deeply regretted by all his circle.

On May 23rd., Mary, beloved wife of Joseph Henley of New Westminster.

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VANCOUVER.

St. James'.

We made an attempt this year to keep with fuller observance than heretofore, the great Festival of our Lord's Ascension. The First Evensong was on the Wednesday at which there was a very fair congregation and a good choir. The usual hymns were sung and Stainer's beautiful Ascension Anthem "Leave us not neither forsake us." In this the choir acquitted themselves fairly well, though on the Sunday in the Octave when the Anthem was repeated, they did much better; and indeed the singing of the boys in the Anthem on the Sunday left little to be desired, except more expression.

We had a Choral Eucharist on Ascension Day morning at 8 o'clock, with about half a choir. We had hoped to have had more, but as this is the first attempt we must not expect too much. Simper's music was decently rendered, and there was a respectable number of worshippers and communicants.

Whitsunday, the Festival of the Holy Spirit was fairly well observed, better a good deal than last year, so that we ought not to complain too much, but we should very much like to see this great Festival, the Birthday of the Church, observed with more solemnity. The chancel screen and pulpit were very tastefully decorated, though if it had not been for two faithful members of the congregation, the decorations would have been conspicuous by their absence. An invitation from the pulpit for decorators ought to meet with a better or rather a larger response.

In the afternoon of Whitsunday, the Sons of England had their Annual Service in St. James', and as usual the singing was most hearty. A hundred male voices in unison in our small church give forth a splendid volume of sound; the Procession to the hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers," was the great feature of the service, which closed with the Prayer for our Sovereign, "God save the Queen."

On May 2nd., the Bishop of Columbia acting for the Bishop of the Diocese held a Confirmation in St. James' Church at 9.30 a. m. There were some three candidates hindered from one cause or another from being present. These were confirmed:—George W. T. Reinhardt, Henry O. Alexander, Thomas P. Smith, George Murray, Emma French, Emma L. H. Light,

Joanna F. Cope, M. Elsie Lindsay, Annie Ysabel L. Stitt, Hilda M. Carter, Catherine Mary Stevens, Marion Lucy Hastings, Lily Bleau or Kenyon.

The Bishop reminded them of the great Gift of the Holy Ghost they received by means of the imposition of his hands, and exhorted them all to persevere, giving them the assurance that if they were true to God, He would never fail them, that He would be their Guide and Strength through the difficulties and temptations of life. He would mould and fashion their lives after the Pattern Life if they would but do their part. He exhorted them finally to be *regular* communicants, as it was at the Altar they would find the grace and strength they especially needed.

MANY of our readers will be interested in the following letter from Mr. L. Hunt, one of our old choirmen and for years server at the altar every Sunday at 8 o'clock. He and his brothers started from Glenora to go to Atlin.

"After a long and tedious journey we arrived at Pine Creek on the 10th. of April, in the best of health. We camped about thirteen miles from Atlin City and six miles from Discovery Claim, we will stay here for some days till we have a look around. George and Will have gone to have a look at some claims on Wright Creek to-day and have left me in camp to write, so I will do my best to let you know what sort of globe trotters we are. We started on the 6th. of February with 450 lbs. on each of our sleighs and 300 lbs. on our two dogs, that gave us 1650 lbs. altogether. We soon found that we could not take it all at once, so we relayed 250 lbs. at the time, and

up hill we could only take 100 lbs. at a load; we took it all on going down hill of course. We had some bad weather, heavy snow and wind storms that drifted the track full and in some places piled it up. It was very seldom warmer than 20° below Zero, until we got to Teslin. Since then we have had good weather. On the Chesterly Summit the mercury froze up after marking 55° below Zero.* We had two or three weeks of that kind of weather, some people got their feet frozen and some their nose and ears, but we never got touched in the least with frost, we eat lots of fat and drank cocoa, which they say is good to thicken the blood and keep the cold out, and is not bad to take.

From Glenora to Teslin is 185 miles by the winter trail, to get our goods there by relaying we walked 475 miles. From Teslin to Atlin by winter trail is 115 miles, we made that in seven days with all our load. From the time we started till we got here took us 65 days, that is, to go 300 miles, out of that we layed up fifteen days for rest and bad weather. We made it in less time than we calculated. We have had all we want of hand sleighing.

L. HUNT.

* Mercury freezes at 38 degrees below Zero. [EDITOR.]

BAPTISMS:—On May 7th., Fanny Isabel, daughter of Christopher and Amy Anne Holmes.

On May 22nd., Rosie Teresa, daughter of Charles and Josephine Coallons.

On May 28th., Florence Hazel Irene, daughter of Louie and Florence Sanders.

MARRIAGE:—On May 27th, in St. James' Church by the Rector,

James Hastie and Mabel Alice Heath.

BURIALS:—On May 9th., Cuthbert Baiss of Abbotsford, aged 21 years.

On May 15th. Elizabeth M. Whitehouse, aged 75 years.

St. Luke's Home.

The Home had a very pleasant surprise in the shape of \$95.50, as the title of the proceeds of a special sale on Saturday at the Fit Reform Wardrobe. We tend our most hearty thanks to Mr. Foster for his kindly thought and act for the Home.

It has been suggested that what came in thus from coat sales, might fittingly supply a coat, so that if in the course of a few weeks our friends see a change for the better in the outside appearance of the building, they may rightly say a Fit Reform.

Revelstoke, St. Peters'.

At last our new parish priest has arrived, and we have resumed regular services. No one knows how much they may be missed, until compelled to do without them. Canon Paget has announced two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist for Whit Sunday, the other services as usual.

The deferred Easter Vestry meeting will be on the Monday following, the result of which I shall probably not be able to send until too late for the June RECORD. We have been fortunate in having two full Sunday services since January. Easter Sunday the Rev. Mr. Bastin, Lytton, officiated, and last month the Rev. H. G. Fiennes-Clinton, Vancouver, came to Revelstoke for a few days, giving us full services on Sunday, including

two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist.

Last Sunday, Canon Paget's first Sunday in his new parish, the attendance at St. Peter's was as usual, very small at the early Celebration, but good congregations gathered for the other services; it is to be hoped that the numbers will not diminish, and the welcome accorded our new Rector will continue. Mattins and Evensong have been said on most of the intervening Sundays, by Mr. Grogan, Lay Reader, for which we are grateful to him.

The "Talent Society" has been preparing during the past quarter, to augment the church funds by its small contribution, collected by ladies who do work of different kinds to order, for the benefit of the Society; any kind of work, ornamental or useful, pictures, photos, candies, lamp shades, etc.

YOUR CORRESPONDENT.

The annual Easter vestry of St. Peter's church was held last night, Dr. Paget in the chair. A welcome was tendered to the new vicar by G. E. Grogan in the name of the church officers, to which Dr. Paget made a suitable and feeling reply. The financial statement shewed that the parish is practically free of debt. The following appointments were made: Delegates to the Synod, Messrs. Hearn, Crage and Grogan; Churchwardens, A. R. B. Hearn by the vicar, W. F. Crage by the people, J. D. Molson and G. E. Grogan, Sidesmen. W. F. Crage, J. D. Molson and G. E. Grogan were appointed a committee to take up the memorial to the late Rev. F. A. Ford, and the Ladies' Talent Society were requested to appoint another committee of three to co-operate

with them. Messrs. J. D. Molson, Chas. J. Aman, Jas. Gill and J. D. Sibbald were appointed a building committee to look after the erection of the proposed addition to the vicarage.

Enderby and Armstrong.

A long felt want has just been supplied to St. George's Church in the shape of a very handsome stone font given by relations as a memorial of a dear little boy, who was taken home from the earthly fold last autumn, to be more closely in the Saviour's keeping. It is of grey sandstone, octagonal in shape, with the text: "Suffer the little children to come unto Me," in gilt letters round the top, and a brass plate on the upper step of the pedestal, bears the inscription: "To the glory of God and in ever loving memory of Richard Lichfield (Field) elder son of Walter F. and Frances E. Collin. Born Dec. 6th., 1896, died Oct. 23rd., 1898." A very acceptable gift was also received in Easter week, from Mrs. O. Harvey, of a brass altar desk, which leaves only an alms dish needed to complete our altar furniture in brass.

The church at Armstrong presents a very much improved appearance, since it has been painted outside and stained and varnished inside, at a cost of \$100, of which the Ladies' Guild furnished \$70 and the balance was paid out of surplus offertory funds. A painter is at work at present also on the exterior of St. Luke's Church, Grand Prairie; the money for which was raised chiefly by an entertainment given during the winter, while there is a fund available if needed to complete it, from the proceeds of an Autograph quilt got up by Miss Pringle and one or two others.

St. Paul's, Golden.

On Monday, May 15th., the long-expected concert in aid of St. Paul's Church, Golden, was given in the Columbia Hall to a large and appreciative audience. The following is the programme :

PART I.

- Piano, "Military Polonaise" Chopin.
Miss Devlin.
Vocal, "Mary of Argyle" Nelson.
Rev. J. Munroe, M. A.
Vocal, "Alice, Ou Donc Est Tu?" Ascher.
Mrs. Robbins.
Vocal, "My Lady's Bower" Temple.
Mr. E. Plowright.
Piano "The Hunting Song" Mendelssohn
Miss Devlin.
Vocal, "The Holy City" Adams.
Rev. J. Munroe, M. A.

PART II.

- Glee, "O, hush thee my Baby" Sullivan.
Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Plowright, Mr.
Munroe, Mr. Plowright.
Piano, "Chachoucha Caprice" Raff.
Miss Devlin.
Vocal, "The King's Highway" Molloy.
Mr. E. Plowright.
Vocal, "Ave Maria" Mascagni.
(From "Cavalleria Rusticana")
Mrs. Robbins.
Comedy, "Six Cups of Chocolate."

CASTE :

- Miss Adeline Von Lindau, Mrs. Taylor.
Miss Dorothy Green, Mrs. Bacon.
Miss Marion Lee, Miss Parson.
Miss Hester Beacon, Mrs. Plowright.
Miss Beatrix Van Kortlandt, Miss C. Lang
Mlle. Jeanette Durand, Miss Devlin.

The vicar and churchwardens of St. Paul's Church, Golden, beg to tender their sincere thanks to Mrs. and Miss Devlin, and through them to those ladies and gentlemen who so ably assisted at the entertainment, and to all those who rendered gratuitous services on that occasion, for the gift of the proceeds in aid of the church, which amounted to the handsome sum of \$71.50, which has been increased by some very kind friend to the round sum of \$75. They also wish to express their high appreciation

of the character of the entertainment and of the eminently effective manner in which each item of the programme was rendered ; involving, as it must have done, much anxiety and careful rehearsing.

Simple but Stately.

ALTHOUGH not a churchman, Mr. W. T. Stead pays the following tribute to the Book of Common Prayer :

"All over England, on Sunday, and also in the colonies, dependencies and republics where men speak with English tongue, the same service goes on, the same psalms chanted, the same prayers

A GENUINE BARGAIN!

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