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THE PASSING OF WILLIAM DAVID FREMLIN

Under the spreading trees where he loved to sit, and amid the flowers so dear to him, a very large gathering of relatives and friends assembled at his old home on Sunday afternoon, September 28th, to pay their last respects to William David Fremlin, of Hilton Beach, St. Joseph's Island. The simple but impressive burial service of the Church was read by the Rev. H. H. Heard of St. Joseph's Island, and the Rev. B. P. Fuller of Sault Ste. Marie, a former resident of the Island, and heartfelt tributes were paid to Mr. Fremlin's memory. The service took place in the open air as the church could not begin to hold the people who attended.

The passing of Mr. Fremlin, one of the pioneers of St. Joseph's Island leaves a blank never to be filled. He had a personality all his own. He was a man of great intelligence, and took a keen interest in the affairs of the day. His dry wit and quick repartee made him a wonderful entertainer, and a man whom it was indeed a pleasure to meet. He was a shrewd business man, possessing vision undisturbed by detail, quietly holding on through trying conditions until at last his conceptions were realized successfully. His activities were far reaching and from grandfather to father, and from father to son, in many cases, men "took out timber" for Mr. Fremlin.

An interesting event in his early life, and one of which he was more proud than of many of his other achievements, was his membership in the old Toronto Cricket Club; and the family possesses a picture of the Club taken when it played against the Gentlemen of England in 1872, at which time Mr. Fremlin was presented with a bat bearing an inscribed silver plate.

But before all Mr. Fremlin was a staunch lifelong Churchman. He was one of the pillars of St. John's Church, Hilton Beach, and served for many years as churchwarden. He possessed a beautiful trusting faith, and a mind stored with Bible lore and well-loved hymns, in which to his last attendance at church his voice could be heard. Three of his favorite hymns,—“O Paradise,” “There is no night in heaven,” and “Peace, perfect peace,”—were sung at the service.

It is with deep regret that we learn that the Rev. Cyril Goodier has been compelled owing to ill-health to give up his work at Kirkland Lake and ask for a year's leave of absence. Mr. Goodier will spend this year with his brother in England. We trust he may in due time return to Algoma, fully restored to health, to take up again his work amongst us.

The Archbishop has appointed the Rev. W. L. Guyler, B.A., of Bala to the charge of the Mission of Kirkland Lake.



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HE THAT SHOULD COME

He that should come—for whom the world was waiting,
Whom sage and prophet sought in holy lore;
The world's great King, its Saviour and Redeemer,
Whom men should serve and worship evermore.

He that should come—to Bethlehem's lowly manger,
Whom shepherds sought beneath the starlit sky:
Whom kings adored with gold and myrrh and incense,
The glorious Babe, the Son of God most high.

He that should come—to us on Christmas morning,
With hearts aflame with wondering awe and love:
Oh, may His grace, within our souls abiding,
Lead us to seek Him in His courts above.

—ETHEL MILLER,
in "The Living Church".

But where Thou dwellest, Lord,
No other thought should be,
Once duly welcomed and adored,
How should I part with Thee?

Bethlehem must lose Thee soon, but Thou wilt grace
The single heart to be Thy sure abiding place.

—Keble

A Christmas Message from the Archbishop

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.
December 11th, 1926

Dear Friends:

Christmas is a great and glorious Festival. There is indeed only one other in the whole circle of the Church's year that can compare with it,—the Festival of final triumph which we call Easter. But there is a freshness and simplicity about Christmas that Easter does not attain.

The difference between Christmas and Easter joy suggests a contrast between the innocent gladness of childhood and the triumphant satisfaction of the victor in human conflict. Each has its peculiar intensity, but in childhood's gladness there is a sweetness which is specially its own. Christmas is the Festival of Childhood.

They who would use Christmas aright must make it an occasion of spiritual rejoicing. It does not depend upon the amount of money expended, the character of the feast, or the costliness of the gifts provided. Christmas has other sources of enjoyment. It is right there should be proper feasting and suitable amusements. There should also be the brightening and enriching of home life. But among the primary aims of those who would make Christmas what Christ would have it, must be reckoned the real gladdening and uplifting of childish hearts and lives.

The foundation of Christmas joy is the assurance of the Gospel story that in the Babe of Bethlehem we have the fullest revelation given to men of the character of Almighty God our heavenly Father. It is a revelation in terms of humanity. God reveals Himself to us as a little child. Into this material world He comes specially in the person of His Son; who takes our nature upon Him in the Virgin's womb; and by the process of natural birth enters into the abodes of men and dwells among them. That is what happened on the first Christmas Day. And our Christmas is the recurring anniversary of the Great Father's supreme attempt to get close to His fallible human creatures. Once each year in the course of the circling seasons it tells us with dramatic effect how, for the love that filled His heart, in order to lift them up to Himself, He came down and became one with His dependent children, identifying Himself with all that is essential to humanity and taking upon Him a share of every quality and experience which is the heritage of feeble and suffering human creatures,—sin only excepted. The helplessness of infancy, the limitations of imperfect growth and strength, the practice of patient effort and waiting, daily dependence upon human aid, the endurance of weariness, pain and sorrow,—yes, and even temptation. All these He, the God of our im-

mortality, born in the little town of Bethlehem on Christmas Day, submitted to in the person of Jesus Christ, and bore with infinite patience.

Christmas then becomes a call, and it is our duty to respond. As God comes seeking us in this great Festival, so it is ours to seek Him in return. In His house, in His great service, the Holy Eucharist, He waits for us, and it is our bounden duty to seek Him there. Rest assured if we seek Him in the right spirit we can never seek Him in vain.

Finally what better Christmas wish can I offer you than this,—that seeking Him aright you may find Him, and finding Him may be made perfect in His likeness. So shall you be content to endure all trials of this mortal life, and to suffer all needful limitations of fortune. And so shall you help others, and especially children, to seek what is best; and following, in the truest sense, our Incarnate Lord in the way of humility and self-restraint, come at last to rest with Him in the fulness of eternal joy.

Affectionately yours,

GEORGE ALGOMA

On November 23rd an interesting meeting was held in the Synod Office at Hamilton, at which the Secretary-Treasurers of the various dioceses of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario came together for the first time to discuss diocesan problems and methods of work. All the dioceses in the Province except Ottawa were represented, Algoma by the Rev. Canon Piercy and the Rev. F. W. Colloton. It was unanimously agreed that the experiment was well worth while, and another meeting, to include representatives of other Canadian dioceses, will probably take place at Kingston next autumn at the time of the General Synod meeting.

The Rev. W. F. Smith, who for the past few years has served in the Mission of Maganatawan, has been appointed Rector of Huntsville. Mr. Smith entered upon his new duties on the 15th November.

The Rev. H. F. Hutton, who has been for some time on leave of absence, has been appointed Rector of St. Michael's Church, Winnipeg. Mr. Hutton's many friends in Algoma will wish him every success and happiness in his new work.

Mr. Edwin Wrightson is serving as lay reader in the Mission of Maganatawan.

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Executive Committee of the Diocese on the 7th December met for the last time under the chairmanship of His Grace the Archbishop, who has announced that his retirement from active duty will take place on the 6th of January, that being the thirtieth anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopate.

At this meeting the Archbishop read a statement, dealing with various matters of importance. His Grace said, in part:

“On the second of November last the Provincial House of Bishops met at my call in the city of Toronto to consider two subjects of importance in connection with the Diocese of Algoma and this Ecclesiastical Province at large.

“Their duty was to consider my resignation as Bishop of Algoma, which I had placed in the hands of the Bishop of Huron, the Bishop next in seniority to myself among the Bishops of the Province. And next they had to select one of their number to fill the office of Metropolitan of Ontario, vacant through my resignation.

“The House of Bishops accepted my resignation of the Diocese, and agreed to my proposal that it should take effect on the 6th day of January next, the Festival of the Epiphany,—that day being the thirtieth anniversary of my consecration as Bishop of Algoma. The House further proceeded to elect as Metropolitan of the Province the Right Rev. David Williams, who thus became Metropolitan of Ontario, and Archbishop of the Diocese of Huron. I have forwarded to Dr. Williams in due course the Metropolitan’s Crozier, together with the official copies (4 in number) of the revised Canadian Prayer Book, authenticated by the Primate and placed by the General Synod in the Metropolitan’s hands for safe keeping and reference.

“It is therefore my duty now to announce to you, the official representatives of our Synod, that henceforward it will be to His Grace the Most Reverend the Archbishop of Huron that we shall owe canonical allegiance as the Metropolitan of Ontario.

“I have further to announce to you that, in accordance with the information given you above, it will be my duty on the 6th day of January next to hand over my official responsibility and authority as Bishop of Algoma to the Right Reverend Rocksborough Remington Smith, duly elected and consecrated Bishop Coadjutor of Algoma, who at that time will become automatically entitled to the position of diocesan Bishop. Whether or no you will think it desirable to arrange for some recognition of this event I leave you to determine. As we have no Cathedral there can hardly be in the strict sense of the word a formal installation of the new Bishop. Yet there might well be, if you desire it, a recognition of his authority, and a formal transfer of the responsibility and authority of the office from myself to the Coadjutor Bishop.

"As this will very likely be the last occasion of my official attendance at a duly called Executive meeting, it seems to me fitting that I should say a few words and make certain announcements by way of carrying into effect a few matters which have long been in my mind as considerations calling for early and practical attention.

(1) Among those still serving in Algoma there are certain missionaries whose names and achievements were well known when I became Bishop of the diocese, devoted priests whose unswerving loyalty and constant devotion to Algoma are beyond all praise. The foremost figure in this faithful group of heroic men is our dear Archdeacon Gillmor, who to his contemporaries, and to his old diocesan Bishop, must remain to the end of his days Archdeacon of Algoma. Then come certain other missionary heroes hardly less familiar, prominent among whom are Canon Allman, Canon Piercy, Canon Hazlehurst, Canon Boydell, Canon Johnston and Canon Burt. All except one are still at work in our midst, though certain of them are obviously feeling, more or less seriously, the strain of continuous labour. None of these men have received the due reward or even adequate recognition of their services. All that has been possible has been to confer upon the chief among them the rather empty distinction of the honorary title of Canon or Archdeacon. And now most of them are past the possibility of accepting advancement involving very serious physical strain. I cannot however contentedly lay down my authority as diocesan Bishop of Algoma without acknowledging, by at least a word or two of grateful praise, the debt I owe these heroes of the mission field. Unfortunately such recognition is rather empty in its character. I long to confer upon each and all of them such promotion as would befit their services. This however is impossible, partly because opportunity for such appointment is wanting, and partly because were it possible it would carry with it a demand for strenuous toil quite beyond the powers of the men concerned.

(2) Then there is another and larger group of men, later in their ordination and in their admission to our staff of Clergy, but many of them not appreciably behind any in gifts and self sacrifice, and according to their standing equally loyal in their service to the Diocese. It is not necessary, nor indeed would it be easy, to name them all. Except Canon Hincks none of these men have been honoured with titles, or promoted in accordance with their services. I can do little more than express my special gratitude to them; but in doing so I desire to recognize the devotion and loyalty of the clerical staff as a whole. Individually and collectively I have felt it nothing short of a privilege and blessing to work with them.

"There are however two appointments which I have it in my power to make, and consider it right to announce before I lay down my Diocesan authority and transfer my office to other hands. And by these two appointments I wish to emphasize what I have been saying about the exceptional services of the groups of missionaries

of whom I have been speaking.

"It has long been my conviction that our dear Archdeacon of Algoma was entitled not only to recognition but to assistance; and that the duties of a single Archdeacon in so vast a missionary diocese as Algoma, however exceptional the man might be, were too heavy for the shoulders of a man even in the prime of his vigour; and to expect a man of our Archdeacon's advanced years to accomplish such a work is unfair and unreasonable. I have therefore decided to give Archdeacon Gillmor the benefit of two brother Archdeacons,—one for the Eastern part of the Diocese, the other for the West, the point of division being in or near Sudbury. The actual definition of boundaries along with other details will remain for future decision. Obviously care and deliberation will be needed in determining the matter. The main features of the situation are that, while the Ven. Dr. Gillmor remains titular Archdeacon of Algoma, I now formally appoint the Rev. Canon W. A. J. Burt to be Archdeacon of the Eastern part of the diocese with the title "Archdeacon of Muskoka," his jurisdiction to lie within such boundaries in the Deaneries of Muskoka, Parry Sound & Nipissing as may be hereafter decided upon; and that in like manner I appoint the Rev. C. W. Balfour to be Archdeacon of the Western portion of the Diocese, embracing the Rural Deaneries of Algoma and Thunder Bay,—the title for the present "Archdeacon of Sault Ste. Marie", and the definition of boundaries being left, like those of the new Eastern Archdeaconry, to be more definitely determined after due consideration.

"There are of course others on our staff of whom I have said nothing,—men who are just beginning their work and have yet to win their spurs, I realize the importance of encouraging them. For we have sore need of men. We need especially experienced priests, men not afraid of work and hardship in the missions of the Church. We need such a man in Little Current and parts adjacent, where our Indian work is being menaced; in Englehart, where special opportunities are offered; in Nipigon, where the new mission at MacDiarmid demands support; in Maganatawan, Oliver, Bala, North Cobalt and other struggling centres. Our great need is capable priests. The lack of such men makes me anxious for Algoma's future. Yet I should indeed be remiss if I did not recognize gratefully as I say farewell the numbers of good men working with us, and the good service rendered by a devoted and capable staff of workers throughout the long years of my Episcopate. I thank the men, I thank you our Executive Committee, and I thank God. And I shall not cease to pray for Algoma and its new Bishop. There are many problems confronting you, but you will not face them in vain."

The members of the Committee were deeply touched by His Grace's official farewell, and attempted to place on record their feelings in the following resolution:

Moved by Rev. Canon Piercy,
Seconded by Mr. W. J. Thompson,

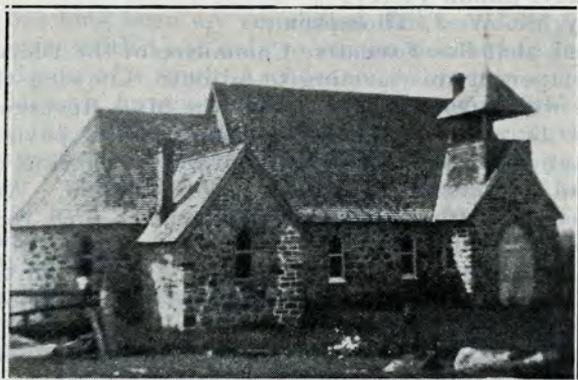
Resolved, that this Executive Committee of the Diocese of Algoma cannot permit this meeting to adjourn, knowing that in all likelihood it will be the last over which the Most Reverend George Thorneloe, D.D., will preside as Chairman, without paying our tribute of affection to him as our Bishop and expressing our confidence in and admiration of him as our Chairman. Archbishop Thorneloe has been Chairman of this Committee since the erection of the Synod in 1906. Not only has he been very real Father in God, but in a every true sense he has both guided and trained its members in the important task of administering the temporal affairs of the Church in this Diocese. It cannot be forgotten that almost wholly through his efforts we now possess a Mission Fund. When Dr. Thorneloe came to us there was no Mission Fund, and now we have a capital sum of nearly \$160,000. In every way, as well as in this, we are thankful to acknowledge our debt to the Archbishop's care and wisdom in his guiding of the Church's action. Words cannot express our full appreciation.

We are not saying farewell, just recording our love and highest regard, with the prayer that God will spare him to us to assist by his prayers and the inspiration of his presence amongst us the advancement of His Church in this Diocese. We know that this is very near to his heart.

MUSICAL FESTIVAL AT SUDBURY

A choir of one hundred and nineteen voices, including thirty boy sopranos, under the leadership of Mr. J. H. Davies, took part in a beautiful choral service in the Church of the Epiphany, Sudbury, on Thursday evening, October 28, with choirs from Espanola, Copper Cliff, Coniston and Capreol taking part with the Sudbury choir. These choirs comprise the Sudbury District Anglican Choral Association, which was established last year, and the programme presented on Thursday evening gave some idea of the great benefit such an organization can be to the district. Much improvement was noticed, particularly in the time and in the confidence with which the music was rendered. Splendid support was given by Miss Margaret Stubbs at the organ, although some of the best parts were sung without the organ. Numbers worthy of special mention were the Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, and the anthem, "Praise the Lord O Jerusalem." The large congregation joined in the singing of familiar hymns, and the service was conducted by the rector, Rev. P. F. Bull, assisted by Rev. S. Turner of Espanola, Rev. J. Norman of Copper Cliff, and Mr. A. E. Carding. Other clergymen present were Rev. C. C. Simpson, Coniston, and Rev. E. J. G. Tucker, of Capreol, who preached the sermon.

—"Canadian Churchman"



FORTY YEARS AGO

THE BUILDING OF ST. MARY'S, ASPDIN

(As recorded in the Parish Register)

The first service in Aspdin was held in Mr. Johnson's house when it was determined to build a log church. Mr. Johnson gave one acre of ground on which to build, and the ground was duly given by deed in trust to the Bishop. The church was called the Church of St. Mary. In a few years a new chancel and vestry were added to the log church through the liberality of Miss Girdlestone of Galt.

At the latter end of the year 1884 an unknown lady in England offered to provide funds to the extent of £600 sterling on condition that a stone church should be erected, of a plain and substantial kind, and that coloured stoles and frontals according to the seasons be used, the eastward position taken by the priest; vases, candlesticks and cross on the re-table, but vestments not to be used except by special request of the congregation, and with the written consent of the Bishop for the time being.

The letter containing this offer was read by the priest Rev. W. Crompton, to the churchwardens, Messrs. Johnson and Coulson; and it was agreed to accept the noble offer.

The foundation stone or stones were laid on Wednesday, September 30th, 1885. A paper on which were the names of Dr. Sullivan, Bishop of Algoma.—William Crompton, Priest in charge of missions.—Charles W. Johnson and Jeremiah Coulson, Churchwardens and every communicant connected with the church, together with copies of Church Times, Church Bells, and Guardian, (English papers); Globe, Mail, Free Grant Gazette, Muskoka Herald (Canadian papers), were inserted in a large glass bottle and built in a hole prepared for it in the wall of the church.

The congregation met in Clifton Hall on Wednesday afternoon, September 30th, 1885, and sang the hymn, "The Church's one foundation" after which a procession was formed in the following order: Sunday School children and teachers, communicants, strangers, officers of the church, priest in charge, and all marched to the place where the stone was to be laid. Here stood Messrs. Castle and Suttaby, the architect and builder, who marshalled everybody in their due order. Another hymn was sung and prayer offered, and the chief Corner Stone laid by the Priest, "In the Faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." He was followed by the communicants 34 in number



THE REV. WILLIAM CROMPTON

who came in groups, each laying his or her right hand on the stone and using the same formula. This was followed by a scene none present would ever forget. Each child belonging to the Sunday School brought a stone, not picked up haphazard on the ground, but brought from home to put into the church wall. Many were too small to reach the place and had to be lifted up. It would be impossible to say whose eyes glowed the most, those of the masons who fixed the stones, those of the little ones who brought them, or those of the men who lifted the little ones so that they could put their stones in. Not a child who took part in this will ever lose the recollection of it. Another hymn was then sung, more prayers said. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" sung, and the Benediction pronounced.

The completed building was taken from the hands of the contractor in June 1886 and it was decided that the "Opening Day" should be August 15th.

On Sunday, June 21st, 1885, Mr. Crompton gave a mission address to the congregation in the church of St. Augustine, Kilburn London, England, and in response was given over £11 sterling with which to provide a stone font for St. Mary's Church. By arrangement with Rev. E. Wood, M.A. the Rector of St. John the Evangelist's Church, Montreal, a good font with handsome carved oak cover was obtained at a cost, including freight, of \$68 and is now in St. Mary's. A handsome standard cross of alabaster for the retable was sent for the church by Major General Harding Steward, Prince's Gate, London, England, and was gratefully accepted. Intimation of the opening of St. Mary's Church was sent privately to friends in the neighbourhood. The morning of Sunday, August 15th was beautiful and bright. The heat was 84 degrees in the shade, but was tempered by a nice breeze blowing.

By 10 a.m. friends began to come from Bracebridge, Huntsville, Allensville, Ravenscliffe, Hoodstown, Ilfracombe, Charlinch, and Port Sydney, whilst none living within five miles of the church and belonging to the Church of England were absent. By 11 a.m. the church was filled to its utmost, and of the adults there were not ten present who did not come from England. The service opened by singing the hymn "We love the place, O God." There were 74 communicants.

Before pronouncing the blessing, the priest came to the chancel steps, and, after saying a few words of thanks to those who had assisted requested all to join in singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." This was done most heartily, the Blessing was then pronounced, and thus was brought to a close a day which will be a memorable one in the history of the Church of England in Muskoka forever.

The church as opened consists of chancel, nave and vestry. The east end is apsidal. A plain screen divides nave and chancel. There are two steps into the chancel, another step into the sacrarium. On the north side of the sacrarium, just inside the altar rails is the credence with aumbry underneath. On the south side is a piscina. Funds would not allow of sedilia. The altar re-table and reredos are plain but neat and good. The panels of the latter are made moveable so as to facilitate the insertion of colours according to the seasons. A very fine prayer desk, lectern, faldstool and pulpit are among the furnishings, the two latter having handsome silk velvet frontals. There are several frontals for the altar, a good set of altar vessels, two sets of altar linen, one handsomely embroidered, and an excellent organ.

This account has been written by William Crompton, formerly Travelling Clergyman, Diocese of Algoma, and first priest of Aspdin Mission, October 1886.

THE BISHOP COADJUTOR AT THE PRO-CATHEDRAL

Owing to a severe illness following almost immediately upon his Consecration, Dr. Rocksborough Smith was unable to begin his work as Bishop Coadjutor for fully a month, part of which time he spent as a patient in the Plummer Memorial Hospital. On the 24th October, however, he was well enough to take part in the services at the Pro-Cathedral, preaching to large congregations both morning and evening.

The Bishop's text for his opening sermon was: "I am among you as he that serveth." He spoke feelingly of the call which had come to him, and of the great work for which he had been consecrated. He spoke of the service which the Ministry of the Church, following the example of our Lord, gives and stands ready to give at all times. He stressed three points which he regarded as extremely important in the Church's great work,—first, the teaching of the young; secondly, the missionary work of the Church; and thirdly, the holding of the Church's Faith in its entirety. He did not believe in any watered down creed, but in the whole Faith of Christ, as delivered by the Apostles and handed down by the historic Church.

At Evensong the Bishop preached a telling sermon from the text, "The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground; yea, I have a goodly heritage." His hearers could not help realizing as they listened to this sermon the wonderful heritage which is their's as Churchmen, and their responsibility for handing on that heritage to those who shall come after.

THE RECEPTION

On Monday evening, October 25th, a reception was tendered to the Bishop Coadjutor and Mrs. Rocksborough Smith by the congregation of the Pro-Cathedral. A very large number of parishioners gathered in the Parish hall to welcome the new Bishop. Those who received at the door and introduced all comers to the Bishop and Mrs. Rocksborough Smith were the Rev. C. W. Balfour and Mrs. Balfour, the Rev. F. W. Colloton and Mrs. Colloton, Col. P. B. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Edgar T. Read and Mrs. Read, and Mrs. J. A. MacColl, President of St. Luke's Branch of the W.A. Following the period of introduction and getting acquainted, a very excellent musical programme was given, which had been arranged by Mr. F. W. Wigglesworth, organist of the Pro-Cathedral.

After the Rector, the Rev. C. W. Balfour, had in a very happy speech alluded to the object of the gathering, Col. Wilson, People's

Warden, associating with himself Mr. Edgar T. Read, his fellow warden, on behalf of the parish read an address of welcome, assuring the Bishop of the loyalty and co-operation of all. The hope was expressed that health and happiness and many years of service might be his lot in the Diocese, and coupled with all good wishes was the name of Mrs. Rocksborough Smith.

The Bishop Coadjutor, who was received with hearty applause, spoke in a very happy vein and with much humour. He referred to the warm reception he and Mrs. Rocksborough Smith had received on their coming to the Diocese and the See City, and their gratitude for many kindnesses received. He also expressed deep appreciation of the Consecration Service on St. Matthew's Day, referring especially to the part which the organist and choir had taken in making the service so beautiful. The rest of the Bishop's speech was taken up with a reference to his work with the Archbishop for the Diocese; and he ended on a high note of assurance that in the leadership he hoped to be able to give he would find on looking over his shoulder every man, woman and child of the Church supporting him.

The Bishop's reply was received with much applause, which was continued when the Archbishop arose to give expression to his good wishes. His Grace recalled what had taken place on his arrival at the Sault thirty years ago, when he and his family had been received with the utmost cordiality and kindness, which had continued all through the years. He said in words of much feeling that he could wish for the Coadjutor Bishop and Mrs. Rocksborough Smith nothing better than that for their years in Sault Ste. Marie, which he hoped would be many, the same kindness and friendships might be theirs.

Social intercourse, refreshments and more music followed, and completed a very happy evening.

A MISSIONARY SERMON

On the following Sunday, October 31st, Bishop Rocksborough Smith preached a strong missionary sermon, showing how in the past few years the attitude towards missions had entirely changed, and missionary meetings were now full of interest and very popular. From his own experience in the foreign field he criticized the opinion held by some that the heathen were necessarily bad and unenlightened. Many of them were exceptionally fine and well educated people. There was much good in many of their religions but Christianity contained all the good which they possessed, and went a great deal further than any of them, and supplied what men everywhere need, whatever their race and colour.

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ST. PETER'S, SAULT STE. MARIE and HOLY TRINITY, TARENTORUS

The first Confirmation Service to be taken by the Right Rev. Rocksborough Smith, Bishop Coadjutor, was held in St. Peter's Church, Sault Ste. Marie, on the evening of All Saints' Day.

The visiting clergy and choir vested in the church hall and proceeded to the church, the Bishop, vested in cope and mitre, accompanied by the Ven. Archdeacon Gillmor, joining the procession in the church. The service was very hearty and inspiring, and the Bishop's earnest words of counsel to the candidates will long be remembered by them. The class consisted of four boys and six girls.

After the service a reception was tendered the Bishop and the visitors in the church hall, refreshments being served by the members of St. Peter's branch of the W.A.

On the following evening a Confirmation was held at Holy Trinity Church, Tarentorus, at which eight persons received the Laying on of Hands.

Both these missions are in charge of the Rev. R. C. Warder.

It is with deep regret that we learn that the Rev. S. F. Yeomans of Massey is in St. Joseph's Hospital, Sudbury, suffering from a fractured skull, the result of an accident which happened at his home on the 2nd of December. While engaged in sawing the winter's supply of wood, a hardwood block flew off the circular saw, striking him on the head. An operation was performed in the hospital the following morning, and latest reports are that he is progressing favourably.

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months of October and November, 1926

ALGOMA MISSION FUND

M. S. C. C., \$1591.02; Diocese of Ottawa, (Chisholm), \$25.00; S. P. G., \$1059.05; Algoma Association, General Fund, \$657.29; Stipends, \$43.83.

Apportionments: Baysville, \$14.00; Port Sydney, \$19.90; Silverwater, \$5.00; Hilton Beach, \$18.07; Rosseau, \$60.00; Jocelyn, \$3.34; Garden River, \$23.00; St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, \$113.10; Burk's Falls, \$32.10; Midlothian, \$11.23; Bruce Mines & Desbarats, \$5.00; Falkenburg, \$38.00; Maganatawan, \$5.00; Cache Bay, \$2.50; Echo Bay, \$8.00; Blind River, \$20.00.

M. S. C. C. APPORTIONMENT

Baysville \$11.80; St. John's S. S., Port Arthur, (support Indian children), \$21.23; Port Sydney, \$19.85; Port Arthur Missions, \$26.60; Hilton Beach, \$22.33; Jocelyn, \$22.34; Garden River, .90; St. John's, Sault Ste. Marie \$15.00; St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, \$100.00; Burk's Falls, \$33.05; Midlothian, \$10.62; Bruce Mines & Desbarats, \$10.00; Falkenburg, \$2.48; Maganatawan, \$4.45; Capreol, \$10.32; Burk's Falls, \$1.00; Cache Bay, \$2.50; Garden River, \$30.10; Echo Bay, \$14.00; Beaumaris, \$10.00; Blind River, \$37.00.

SUPERANNUATION FUND

Rev. Canon Allman, \$5.00; Rev. W. A. Hankinson, \$5.00; Rev. A. P. Banks, \$5.00; Rev. T. V. L'Estrange, \$5.00.

Assessments: Gravenhurst, \$12.00; Coniston, \$6.41; Hilton Beach, \$2.70; Garden River, \$1.25; Copper Cliff, \$5.00; Burk's Falls, \$4.10; Midlothian, \$2.15; Maganatawan, \$2.05; Capreol, \$4.79; Echo Bay, .80.

WIDOWS & ORPHANS FUND

Rev. W. A. Hankinson, \$5.00; Rev. A. P. Banks, \$5.00; Rev. T. V. L'Estrange, \$5.00.

CHURCH & PARSONAGE LOAN FUND

St. Peter's, Sault Ste. Marie, \$160.00; S. P. G., (for St. Peter's, S. S. M.,) \$481.05; S. P. C. K. (for St. Peter's S. S. M.), \$242.00; St. Mark's, Milford Bay, \$108.00.

SPECIAL PURPOSES

Gravenhurst Chaplaincy: Diocese of Ottawa, \$56.25.

Sudbury Cemetery Trust: Church of the Epiphany, \$21.00.

Social Service: Baysville, \$1.70; Hilton Beach, \$1.60; Jocelyn, \$1.60; Falkenburg, .85.

Haileybury Church Rebuilding: S. P. G., \$481.80; S. P. C. K., \$1742.40.

Jewish Missions: Hilton Beach, \$1.33; Rosseau, \$7.00; Jocelyn, \$1.34; Capreol, \$3.00.

G. B. R. E.: Hilton Beach, \$1.92; Port Sandfield, \$2.50; Port Carling, \$2.98; Copper Cliff, \$2.00; New Liskeard, \$4.00; Coniston, \$5.68; Jocelyn, \$1.92; Thessalon \$4.59; Englehart, \$1.55; St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, \$12.80; St. Peter's, Sault Ste. Marie, \$1.50; Garden River, \$1.05; St. John's, Sault Ste. Marie, \$14.83; Cobalt S. S., \$3.25; Dorion, .80; Gravenhurst, \$3.66; Burk's Fal's, \$2.05; Bruce Mines, \$2.20; Desbarats, \$1.05; Port Sydney, \$1.25; Korah, \$2.00; Falkenburg, \$1.00; Restoule, \$1.25; Nipissing, \$1.60; Maganatawan, \$1.69; Haileybury S. S., \$5.00; Capreol, \$6.89; Sturgeon Falls, \$3.26; Cache Bay, \$1.05; Echo Bay, .82c.

Archbishop's Discretion: Algoma Association, \$24.12.

Bruce Mines Well: Algoma Association, \$4.82.

Dorion Mission: Christ Church Cathedral, Hamilton, \$15.00.

Diocese of Algoma

Order of Service

for the

Installation

of the

Right Reverend

Rocksborough R. Smith M.A., D.D.

Bishop of Algoma

in

The Pro-Cathedral Church of St. Luke

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

on the

First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 9th, 1927

at 11 a. m.



Order of Service

Processional Hymn - - 417

THE ORDER OF MORNING PRAYER

Proper Psalms: 121 and 122

First Lesson: Ezekiel XXXIII to end of verse 9

Second Lesson: S. Luke X to end of verse 16.

Hymn after Morning Prayer - - 566

While the congregation continues to stand His Grace Archbishop Thorneloe, being seated in his accustomed place, shall call upon the senior Archdeacon of the Diocese to read aloud the Letters of Consecration of the Rt. Rev. Rocksborough R. Smith.

His Grace Archbishop Thorneloe shall then receive from the Rt. Rev. Rocksborough R. Smith the following solemn promise:

I, Rocksborough Remington, Bishop of Algoma, do hereby promise to respect, maintain and defend to the best of my power, the rights, privileges and liberties of this Church and Diocese, and to rule therein with truth, justice and charity, not lording it over God's heritage, but showing myself in all things an example to the flock. So help me God. Amen.

His Grace Archbishop Thorneloe vacating his chair shall then conduct the Rt. Rev. Rocksborough R. Smith to it and cause him to sit therein. He shall then read the following address:

Brethren beloved:

It has come about in the order of divine Providence that, having regard to the condition of my health, and after due consideration of the provisions of the Canons of our Provincial Synod, more especially of the provisions of Canon VIII, "Of Episcopal resignations," I have deemed it my duty to hand in, through the agency of our Provincial Metropolitan the Most Reverend David Williams, Lord Archbishop of Huron, my resignation of the Office of diocesan Bishop of Algoma, together with all authority and responsibility involved therein,—the same to be in due course submitted to, and considered by, the Bishops of the Province assembled for the purpose.

It has further come about that the Bishops of the Province being assembled in due order, and having duly received and considered the resignation referred to, have formally accepted it, and provided that it shall become operative and effective on the 6th day of January 1927,—that date being a fitting occasion as the Festival of the Epiphany, and the 30th Anniversary of my Consecration to the Episcopal Office.

On Thursday last therefore my authority and responsibility as Bishop of Algoma may be considered as having automatically lapsed and become transferred to and vested in the Right Rev. Dr. Rocksborough Remington Smith, the duly elected and Consecrated Bishop Coadjutor of the diocese, possessing the right of succession on my retirement from Office.

Due consideration however having been given to the question it has been decided that we shall do well to signify and emphasize the formal transfer of my authority and responsibility to my successor by a special Act or Service on this the first Sunday after the day of Anniversary referred to.

I do now therefore declare that on the 6th day of this month of January 1927 the Office of diocesan Bishop of Algoma, together with all authority, rights and responsibilities pertaining thereto, passed by virtue of the above mentioned decisions from me to you, the Right Reverend Dr. Rocksborough Remington Smith,—who thus became and are now declared to be, diocesan Bishop of Algoma. And I now hand to you this Pastoral Staff to serve as a sign and token that now and henceforward you are vested, in your own person, with all such power, authority and responsibility as may be necessary for the due discharge and exercise of your various official duties under the Constitution and Canon Law of our Church in this Province of Ontario and Dominion of Canada.

His Grace Archbishop Thorneloe shall then say:—

The Lord be with you.

Ans.—And with thy spirit.

Let us Pray.

O God, who art the Ruler and Pastor of all the faithful, look graciously on this Thy servant, our Bishop, whom Thou hast willed to be pastor of Thy Church, and give him increase of heavenly virtues; and grant that he may so worthily and faithfully govern the flock committed to him, that leading them, like a good shepherd, to the pastures of eternal life, he, together with them, may be found worthy to receive the blessing from Thee, the Rewarder of the Saints, and to reign with Thee, world without end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
—Amen.

The congregation shall then stand while the Archbishop pronounces the following Benediction upon the new Bishop:—

God, whose grace hath called thee to this office, be thine aid, and grant thee thy heart's desire; endue thee with judgment, knowledge, bounty, purity, lowliness and patience; stablish thee in righteousness and holiness; and evermore grant thee His peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, descend upon thee, and abide upon thee now and for evermore. Amen.

Hymn - - 286

**SERMON by the Rt. Rev. ROCKSBOROUGH R. SMITH
BISHOP OF ALGOMA**

Offerings

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Recessional Hymn - - 750
