

solution would be sure to follow upon disestablishment, if it did not come before that event. "Intemperance" is also to be discussed, besides "Readjustments of Church and State," the "Observance of the Lord's Day," "Personal Religion," "The relations between the Church and Nonconformity," "The permanent Diaconate and Lay Help," "Biblical and Theological Study," and "The duty of the Church towards children of the upper and middle classes."

PEACE FOR WORK.

THIS is all we now require. The Church is at work, and is longing to do much more; and in a country which adds some thousands every week to its population, the Church needs to work more and more. To secure this, however, she must not be harassed, hurried, and annoyed, by all sorts of fussy, fidgety folk, whose piety consists in finding fault, and who are never at rest until they can imagine, if they cannot discover, Popery, as the only object of the faithful parish priest.

We have had enough of this, as undoubtedly we have had also too much of extravagancies in the opposite direction. There are now signs of a better feeling on all sides. The Edwardian Vestments are pronounced illegal; very, very few people ever wished for these, and the decent cope is pronounced legal, and is (morally) recommended by not a few.

Here, then, is a condition to which all earnest Churchmen may submit, and there is little doubt that they will submit. And while all this is going forward one hears of largely signed declarations of allegiance to the Bishops, and a desire to have the benefit of their counsel, so that there are good grounds for hoping that ere long the Church will settle down to her tremendous work, and will accomplish it. She has done great things, but if she will be patient and faithful to her Head, she will do greater things than these. Myriads in our land need evangelizing: Sceptics need winning, and must be won; more by their affections, however, than by metaphysics. Once persuade a man that 'the wages of sin is death,' but that 'eternal life' (the alternative) is not a wage, but a 'gift of God,' and no philosophy will drive a man from the only lasting consolation that can be given him.

An appeal is now made to all good Church folk for 'Peace to work.' Peace from all litigiousness, from indulgence in nasty, spiteful, suspicious ways of irritation, holding forth names for contumely, and the like. Where activity prevails there will be some extravagancies, but work is sure to bring these all right again. We ask for peace, not for idleness, but in order that we all may work. Let good Church Christians content themselves by working. They can do this to their hearts' content, without wrangling and interfering with other Churchmen, who may be just as hearty, though working on rather different lines.

Just conceive the whole Church now settling down for a few years to work for Christ,

and doing nothing else, aiming only how most and best to do the work which He has given her to do! All animosity and acrimony would cease. Everyone would be too busy in his share of Church work to interfere with other Church people. And as to other divisions, reaching beyond the Church, all that she could do would be, as suggested, to beg the guidance and favour of Almighty God in this particular, that she may simply do His will. The Church asks for Peace that she may work, and promises that if this be granted she will work.—G.V. in *Church Bells*.

Diocesan Intelligence.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The Rev. Robert Temple has been appointed to the important mission of Twillingate.

During the absence in England for a few months of the Rev. J. J. Curling, the Rev. T. P. Massiah will supply his place in the Bay of Islands.

The Rev. Edward Colley, who has so zealously laboured for thirty years in the difficult and extensive mission of Hermitage Cove, with a coast line of more than 100 miles, has accepted the mission of Topsail, near St. John's.

St. John's.—The biennial session of the Diocesan synod begun on Tuesday the 26th June and in the absence of the Lord Bishop in England his Commissary, the Rev. T. M. Wood presided.

The session was a protracted one, but though there was a good deal of warm and animated discussion, party feeling was happily at a somewhat low ebb, and it is to be hoped that it, or at any rate its exhibition in Sacred Synod will remain so.

The two matters which chiefly occupied the attention of the Synod were on the questions who should administer the affairs of the diocese during the approaching vacancy of the See; and what means were to be taken to fill the vacancy. On the former it was decided that the Priest Senior in Holy Orders, being a member of the Executive Committee, resident in St. John's should administer the affairs of the diocese, and appoint provisionally, to vacant missions, with the approval of the Executive Committee, which body is to administer the temporalities of the diocese. On the latter question the Synod decided to apply to the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, and the secretary of the S.P.G. (the Society for the propagation of the Gospel) to select and the former to procure the consideration of a fitting person to fill the See of Newfoundland.

The Synod closed on Thursday July 5th.

NOVA SCOTIA.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, N. S.—*Rev. and Dear Sir*,—The Board of Foreign Missions, appointed by the Synod, met on the 20th inst. to decide upon the appropriation of funds in hand. The desire of the Board is to give effect to the resolution of the Synod, by the employment of a Missionary of the Heathen, for which an annual sum of at least \$1200 will be required. But it was found that after payment of sums promised to the Missionary Diocese of Algoma, there would only be at disposal about \$600. This was raised to \$800, by the payment of two annual subscriptions of \$100 each; and I am directed by the Board to request you to urge your people to manifest their interest in missionary work by contributing annually according to their ability, towards the support of a Missionary, and by remitting to the Treasurer (Mr. Gossip,) without delay their promised subscriptions, which will be deposited at interest, so that by a rapidly accumulating fund, the attainment of the desired object may be accelerated and finally secured.

DAVID C. MOORE, Secretary.

Rectory, Pugwash, July, 1877.

FREDERICTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

St. Andrews' Choral Union.—This enthusiastic Musical Association held its usual anniversary service of song in All Saints Church, St. Andrews, on the evening of the festival of St. James. The attendance was large. Besides the clergy of the Rural Deanery of St. Andrews, the following were present from the sister church in the United States. The Right Rev. Dr. Neely, Bishop of Maine, and the Revd's McLachlan, O'Dell, Kemmer, Sill and Ketchum. The Rev. C. M. Sills, of Halifax, also took part in the services.

The choirs represented were those of Christ Church, St. Stephen, St. Marks, St. George, St. Anns, Calais, St. Thomas, Campobello, and All Saints, St. Andrews. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Roshton, of St. Stephen. The clergy entered in procession, singing the Hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty." Evening prayer to the end of the third Collect was read by Rev. Mr. Kimber. The Bishop of Maine pronounced the absolution. The lessons were read by the Rev. Messrs. McLachlan and O'Dell. Evening prayer from the third Collect was taken by Rev. Mr. Crozier. The Bishop of Maine delivered an excellent address appropriate to the occasion. The service was thoroughly devotional, while from a musical point of view it was highly creditable to the various choirs which took part in it. The hymns sung were numbers 169, 292, 18 and 379 A. and M. The anthem was Dr. Elvey's "The tempter to my soul hath said." The chants used were Wesley's and Elvey's.

QUEBEC.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese, in company with his son, has left for a visitation tour on the coast of Labrador. His Lordship sailed from Quebec in Captain Blais schooner for Natishquan he will then meet the Rev., James Hepburn, missionary on the coast, and proceed with him in the mission to the various settlements and fishing stations between Natishquan and Blanc Sa Blon some 800 miles. It is expected that Mr. Hepburn, who has now been over four years on the coast will return with the Bishop by way of Newfoundland.

Commissary.—During the absence of the Bishop the Rev. Charles Hamilton, M.A., Rector of St. Matthew's Quebec, has been appointed commissary.

Quebec Cathedral.—The Rev. C. W. Rawson, assistant minister who has for some time been in ill health has on the advice of his physician gone to England for three months, his place in the Cathedral has been filled by the Rev. A. J. Balfour M.A., of Hatley.

MONTREAL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CHELSEA.—A few days ago the ceremony of inducting the Rev. Robert Ker as Incumbent of the mission was performed by Rural Dean Robinson, of Aylmer.

MONTREAL.—At the excursion of the Sunday school of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Rev. Mr. Wood, the rector, saved a little boy from drowning; the little fellow was going down for the third time when grasped.

WEST FARNHAM.—At a meeting of the Deanery of Bedford, held in this place on Tuesday the 10th inst., the Rev. T. W. Mussen received the appointment of the Metropolitan to the office of Rural Dean of Bedford.

SOUTH STUKELY.—On the 10th inst. a very interesting and pleasing ceremony was performed by the Incumbent of the mission, which reminds one of scripture times, a whole family of children, four in number, and one servant, were dedicated to God, in one household, in Holy Baptism.

WATERLOO.—Rev. D. Lindsay, Rector of this place, has been appointed by his Lordship the