

News from the Home Field.

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DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

B. H. M.

General Purposes—Miss Ogden, Antigonishe, \$1.00; Sydney, C. B., (additional), per Rev. D. Smith, \$1.98; River John, per Rev. J. L. Downing, \$35.20; Weymouth (additional), per Rev. P. J. Filleul, \$3.00; St. Mark's, Halifax, (additional), per Rev. H. J. Winterbourne, \$15.00; St. Luke's, Halifax, per W. C. Silver, Esq., \$772.12; Sandy Cove (additional), per D. Hosmer, Esq., \$4.35; Dartmouth (additional), per Rev. Dr. Uniacke, \$5.00; Weymouth (additional), per Rev. P. J. Filleul, \$7.00; St. Luke's, Halifax, (additional), per W. H. Wiswell, Esq., \$108.04; Tusket (additional), per Rev. H. Sterns, \$2.00; Amherst, per W. J. Moren, Esq., \$62.75; Louisburg, C. B., per Rev. T. F. Draper, \$73.25; Cornwallis, (additional), per Rev. F. J. H. Axford, \$15.59; St. George's, Halifax, per Rev. F. Partridge, \$127.42.

W. and O. Fund—Antigonishe, per Rev. R. F. Brine, \$12.55; River John, per Rev. J. L. Downing, \$3.20; Louisburg, C. B., per Rev. T. F. Draper, \$10.30.

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Secretary.

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Algoma Bishopric Fund—St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$6.02; Dartmouth, per Rev. Dr. Uniacke, \$5.00; St. Paul's, Charlottetown, P. E. I., per Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald, \$5.25; Miss E. Wade, Belleisle, Annapolis Co., \$5.00.

N. W. TERRITORIES.

St. Paul's Sunday School, Charlottetown, P. E. I., per Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald, \$13.94.

Rupert's Land—St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$2.01.

Moosonee—St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$3.41.

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Bridgewater, per Rev. W. E. Gelling, \$11.00; St. Margaret's Bay, per Rev. P. H. Brown, \$8.61; St. Paul's, Charlottetown, P. E. I., per Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald, \$19.13; St. Margaret's Bay, per Rev. P. H. Brown, \$1.39.

Church Missionary Society—St. Paul's, Charlottetown, P. E. I., per Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald, \$31.00.

Conversion of Jews—St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$6.65.

S. P. G.—St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$10.61.

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HALIFAX.—The entertainments which came off on Wednesday and Thursday evenings in aid of the Church of England Institute were in every way most successful affairs. Mason Hall was uncomfortably crowded on both occasions, and the manner in which those engaged displayed, Mrs. Jarley's wax works and a number of tableaux is certainly deserving of the very highest praise, as much time must have been devoted to the careful and difficult preparation of the characters. The success was so great that it was announced another and even more attractive programme would be prepared for one or more entertainments after Easter.

PEGGY'S COVE.—The Rector of St. Margaret's Parish begs to thank the Rectors of Digby, Weymouth, and Granville, for their kind assistance, and to acknowledge, with thanks, the following sums toward the new Church at Peggy's Cove:—**Digby**—Mr. Wm. Gilpin, \$5.00; His Honor Judge Savary, \$2.00; Mrs. Barss, \$1.00; Rev. J. Ambrose and Mrs., \$1.00; Mr. Bozne, \$1.00; Mrs. Waters, \$1.00; Mr. Oliver, 50c.; Mr. Harry Wade, \$1.00; Mr. J. C. Wade, \$1.00; Mr. Daley,

\$1.00; Friend, 35c.; Mr. Goldspring, 25c.; Mr. Biden, \$1.00; Miss Wright, \$1.00; Capt. Turnbull, \$1.00; Mr. H. Turnbull, 25c.; Mr. Mumford, 30c.; H. Guptil, Esq., per Rev. John Ambrose, \$1.50. **Marshalltown** friends, \$1.65; boy, 1 cent. **Weymouth**—Mr. Chas. Campbell, 50c. **Granville Ferry**—Mr. Wm. McCormack, \$1.00; Mr. Saml. McCormack, \$1.00.

PORT MULGRAVE.—We are glad to learn that this mission long vacant has been filled by the appointment of the Rev. D. Sutherland as incumbent. Mr. Sutherland has been the curate at Mahone Bay for some years past, and we believe has proved a hard-working clergyman. We wish him every success in his new field of labour.

WINDSOR.—We understand the handsome new Church will very shortly be consecrated, the interior fittings being now quite finished. Canon Maynard and his people may well congratulate themselves upon the completion of this much needed work, and the improved prospects for growth which may be fairly anticipated.

NEWPORT.—The following will be read with great interest by Churchmen:—"A St. Croix correspondent sends the Hants *Journal* the following account of an extraordinary circumstance, which recently occurred at the poor's house at Newport. Benjamin Sweet, son of the late Benjamin Sweet, of St. Croix, was removed from the Dartmouth Insane Asylum to the house lately provided by the county councillors of Hants. He had not spoken for fifteen years. Mr. Sanford, in charge of the poor, conducts prayers every evening, when all the inmates are required to repeat the Lord's Prayer, One evening some of the inmates declared that Sweet had also repeated the prayer, others doubted. Mr. Sanford to satisfy himself, placed a chair next night for Sweet beside his own, and heard him distinctly repeat every word of the prayer, closing with Amen. He has continued to do this ever since, so that all in the room can hear him. An aged inmate, hard of hearing, is greatly rejoiced, declaring she can hear the Lord's prayer, distinctly and from the lips of the dumb." Mr. Sanford is a devout communicant of the Church of England, and though in comfortable circumstances, undertook the charge of the Poor's Farm, that he might thus care for, and minister to Jesus Christ's destitute members in such a manner that the honour and glory of God might be increased. Christ well "knew what was in man" when a *form of words*, was by Him appointed as the best mode to approach to the Eternal "I Am." Surely Christ has made good his promise to Mr. Sanford His promise, "Lo, I am with you always."

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

CHARLOTTETOWN.—**St. Paul's**.—The Bazaar in aid of the Church took place on the 14th and was a very successful affair. We believe that nearly five hundred dollars were realized. The attractions of the bazaar were an art gallery, flower tables, valentine post office, and the usual round of choice eatables. Much credit is due to the ladies who worked so hard to make the affair so successful.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

ST. JOHN.—The annual meeting of the Church of England Institute was held last week, Rev. Canon Brigstocke presiding. The Council, in their annual report, stated that they had much pleasure in reporting that throughout the past year the work of the Institute has gone on in its varied branches with much interest, and in some of them with marked success. The report described in detail the various schemes of the Institute. The membership consists of 10 ex officio members, 111 ordinary, and 190 associate, making a total of 311—a slight increase over last year. The Library numbers 587 volumes in the circulating, and 17 in the Reference Department. During the year 108 volumes were added through the

generous kindness of the Ladies Association, and 30 volumes were kindly presented by various members. The report of the Ladies' Association (a synopsis of which has already appeared in print) was embraced in the Council's report. The receipts during the year amounted to \$776.16, of which \$25.62 now remains in the Bank of Nova Scotia. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Rev. Canon Brigstocke, President; C. F. Kinnear and T. W. Daniel, Vice-Presidents; Members of the Council—A. P. Tippet, R. P. Starr, C. A. Macdonald, J. McNichol, jr., H. L. Sturdee, A. H. DeMill, Alfred Mills, G. C. Coster, E. G. Kaye, C. E. L. Jarvis. A resolution, regretting the departure of Rev. F. S. Sill, was adopted, votes of thanks were passed, and the Institute adjourned.

St. Paul's.—The Rev. Mr. Sill bade "good-bye" to his numerous St. John friends, and left on Wednesday for his new field of labour—St. John's Church, Cohoes, Diocese of Albany, New York State. Mr. Sill's departure will be much lamented by his former parishioners of St. Paul's, to whom he has endeared himself in many ways; he will also be greatly missed for his work's sake, which has been most successful. When he came to St. Paul's there were only 111 scholars on the Sunday school roll, the majority of whom were girls. The best evidence of the result of his labor is the present condition of the school, there being 239 children on the roll—123 boys and 116 girls—with an average attendance for the last quarter of 79 boys and 69 girls. Mr. Sill was also largely instrumental, if not in inaugurating a surpliced choir, certainly in doing much to promote its proficiency, having devoted much time to the instruction of the choir. He will also be greatly missed by the poor, whose wants he was always ready to second his beloved Rector's efforts to alleviate.

PERSONAL.—The S.S. "Sarnia," with the Bishop-Coadjutor of Fredericton on Board, arrived at Portland on Thursday, after a very boisterous voyage. We warmly welcome His Lordship back to his Diocese, and congratulate the people of Fredericton on his safe return.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

WATERLOO.—The clergy of the Deanery of Bedford, were notified by the Rev. Dean to meet at Waterloo on the 5th day of February, 1884. The object of the meeting was to form a clerical association that would embrace the whole of the Deanery. Ten of the clergy were present.

The Holy Communion was celebrated at 9 o'clock a. m., in St. Luke's Church. At 10 o'clock a. m., the clergy met in the school room of St. Luke's for business.

The Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay was elected President and opened the meeting with prayer. On motion of the Rev. Dean seconded by the Rev. J. Smith, the Rev. J. Smith, the Rev. J. W. Garland was elected President.

The Archdeacon asked the Rev. Canon Davidson to explain the object of the meeting as he had been the chief mover in having it called, to which the Rev. Canon readily responded. Next in order, the Rev. W. R. Brown, read a paper at the request of the Rural Dean, which he had previously prepared, bearing on the subject, for which he was presented with a vote of thanks. All the clergy present then took part in the debate on the question of forming a clerical association. The result of the debate was that an association was formed to be known as the *Bedford Clerical Association*.

A code of bylaws prepared by Canon Davidson after some clipping and word changes, was adopted. On motion of the Rev. F. H. Clayton, seconded by Canon Davidson, the Rev. W. R. Browne was elected Secretary Treasurer for the coming year.

The clergy were all entertained at dinner in the Rectory. The thanks of the meeting were presented to Mrs. Lindsay, and her daughters for