

desire most respectfully to convey their sincere sympathy to the widow of the late Bishop, and to his family under the severe loss they have sustained; a loss which must be rendered more peculiarly painful by the Bishop's death having taken place while he was away from his home and diocese.

(Signed),

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It is expected that Bishop Kingdon, of Fredericton, will hold the ordination at St. Luke's Cathedral on Trinity Sunday, and will also, if possible, hold confirmations in several parishes which expected the late Bishop to visit them the first or second week in June.

HALIFAX.—The St. Paul's Church Army had an enthusiastic meeting last week, when colors were presented to the Corps.

SPRINGHILL.—Our old and valued friend Rev. J. R. S. Parkinson has been with us again lecturing acceptably. The lecture on "Old England" was a brilliant one. The result was about \$50 gained towards the liquidation of the Church debt. Springhill has good reason to thank the reverend gentleman for his kindness in lecturing twice during the winter, and his efforts cleared for the debt the sum of nearly \$100. The bazaar, which is to be held for the same good object, is to take place on the 13th and 14th June. It is to be hoped that it will be well patronized by our Springhill readers.

OUR correspondent writes: "In the account of the late Bishop's funeral, which otherwise seems to be very correct, the names of Revs. Dr. Bowman and Rural Dean Moore were inadvertently omitted from the list of pall-bearers."

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

ST. JOHN.—*St. Paul's*.—The United service for the children of the seven Sunday-schools connected with the St. John S. S. Association was held at St. Paul's Church on the evening of Ascension Day, when a sermon suitable to the occasion was preached by the rev. C. J. James, rector of St. James Church. The service was deeply interesting, and the singing and responses by the children as usual was very hearty. The offertory was in aid of the Northwest Missions. The Rev. A. J. Reid, curate at St. Paul's has proved an excellent assistant to the rector Canon DeVeber; his labours in connection with the Sunday-school and choir have been especially valuable.

A Mission station in connection with this parish will shortly be established at Sandy Point, on the Kennebecasis, where a Sunday-school is to be opened and services will be held as soon as the necessary arrangements shall have been completed. In this good work the Church is greatly indebted to the Superintendent of St. Paul's Sunday-school, Mr. M. Chamberlain, who in connection with Mr. Reid has deeply interested himself in the matter. The Sunday-school of this parish is now in a very flourishing condition. The children have contributed largely to the support of Home Missions.

The congregation have been invited by the Rector to express an opinion regarding the advisability of changing the hour of the afternoon service from 3:30 to 7 p.m.

TRINITY.—This Church is in many ways the Mother Church of the Diocese, and we rejoice to say loses none of its vitality with advancing years. Its services are almost invariably attended by very large congregations, and are characterized by heartiness both in the singing

and responding. The communicants roll is very large, the Sunday-school efficient, and the various branches of parochial work thoroughly organized. As an evidence of the appreciation of his zealous labours it may suffice to mention that the roll of members in the Rector's Ladies Bible Class has exceeded two hundred names. There is little doubt that Trinity Church has never been a greater power for good than it is to-day. This is largely due under God to the earnest and self-denying efforts of its Rector, who in addition to his faithful discharge of the duties of a Parish Priest, performs probably a larger amount of extra-parochial work than any clergyman in the Diocese, in connection with such organizations as the following: The Church of England Institute, of which he is President; The St. John S. S. Teacher's Association, of which he is also President; The Diocesan Board of Home Missions; The Diocesan Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions; The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church in Canada; the Board of Governor's of King's College, Windsor. In addition to the foregoing he is an active member of five important committees in the Diocesan and several in the Provincial Synod. Lastly he is editor of a small Parochial magazine. Nevertheless still unsatisfied, Canon Brigstocke is now exceedingly anxious to make arrangements for the opening of a Seamen's Mission, a thing of crying necessity in connection with a maritime place of the importance of the port of St. John. We trust success may crown his efforts in this by no means easy undertaking.

ST. JOHN'S.—The Rector of this Church, the Rev. G. M. Armstrong, is slowly recovering from his recent severe attack, but will not be able to attempt any duty for some time to come. The services are held by Rev. W. H. Sampson, recently appointed curate, and whose labours are greatly appreciated at this time, both by the Rector and the congregation.

ST. JAMES'.—This Church continues to prosper under its new Rector, the Rev. C. J. James, who has already made for himself many friends amongst the members of the congregation.

ST. MARY'S.—The Rev. W. O. Raymond, curate in charge of this Church, has recently been appointed by the Board of Commissioners to the chaplaincy of the Alms House.

The annual meeting of the congregation of St. Mary's was held in the Sunday-school House on the evening of the 10th inst. The attendance was good and the proceedings were of an interesting and satisfactory character. The Local Committee appointed by the congregation at this meeting to act in connection with a Committee from the Vestry of St. John's (the parish) Church, consists of Messrs. J. Kenny; E. C. Moran; W. H. Barton, J. N. Wetmore, with S. D. Crawford, Secretary, and A. P. Tippet, Treasurer. A proposal emanating from the young men present, looking to the formation of a Young Men's Association in connection with St. Mary's Church, was warmly approved of, and a committee appointed to take steps for the immediate organization of such an association.

WOODSTOCK.—The growth of the Church in this old and important parish has rendered it very desirable that its Rector should have material assistance supplied. At present it is quite impossible for one parish priest, even with the assistance of a Lay Reader to successfully grapple with all the requirements of the parish. With a view to the solution of the problem the parishioners are carefully considering the question whether it be most advisable to divide the parish or to secure the services of another clergyman as curate to the present Rector, Rev. Canon Neales. It would seem most probable that the latter course will be adopted.

FREDERICTON.—The services at the Cathedral and Parish Church on Sunday last were slightly

interfered with in consequence of the unprecedented freshet. Never has such a flood of waters been experienced on the St. John. The basements of the Cathedral and Parish Church were filled with water rendering the furnaces useless. The fires having been drowned out at the gas works there was no supply of gas, and in consequence evening service was held at 6 p.m. instead of as usual, an hour later. Several Churches on the lowlands of the valley of the St. John were inundated, including those at Manguerville and Oak Point.

The financial loss to the Church in the Diocese in consequence of the damage wrought by the disastrous flood, together with the failure of the Maritime Bank and several prominent mercantile firms, will of necessity be very heavy. Notwithstanding the crying want of the Diocese at the present moment is rather for men than money. With eight vacant missions and two prospective vacancies the Diocese is in a bad way. Why do we have so many pointed appeals in our Missionary and Anniversary sermons for money and so few for men?

CARLETON.—*St. George's*.—The Rev. O. G. Dobbs and his amiable wife have been warmly welcomed to their new home by the parishioners. It is rather remarkable that whilst there are some fifteen clergymen in St. John and its immediate vicinity the incumbent of St. George's is the only one who is favored with a "Rectory." For the existence of this desirable feature in a city parish the people of St. George's are largely indebted to their former Rector, Rev. LeBacon Fowler. The congregation at St. George's is large, and Mr. Dobbs is much encouraged in his new field of labour.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

DRUMMONDVILLE.—The Rev. J. G. Scott, on his return to his parish from his wedding trip, was very cordially received and was presented by his parishioners with a handsome and costly dressing case and fittings.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Montreal, was held at the Synod office.

The Treasurer's report of the several funds showed a balance on hand to credit of W. & O. Fund \$5,902.19; to Sustentation Fund \$850.16; Clergy Trust \$5,800; Superannuation Fund \$1,470.50; Episcopal Endowment Fund, all invested; the Mission Fund \$2,879.31.

Mrs. DeGruchy's name was placed on the list of annuitants on the Widows and Orphans' fund. The recommendation of the Committee on Grants that an addition of \$50 be made to the grant of the Mission of Bromo, on condition that the congregation raise the sum of \$300 towards the stipend of the clergyman was adopted. The grant of \$20 a month to the Rev. Robert Acton was continued for three months longer.

The Committee on Superannuation reported that the Rev. Joseph Merrick was qualified to rank on the Superannuation Fund, should the Lord Bishop report him as unfit for duty, and would be entitled to receive a pension of \$400. The Committee also drew attention to the fact that this charge on the fund, together with those already upon it, would almost entirely absorb the income of the Fund, and place it at a stand still so far as the increase of its capital is concerned.

The sale of the Church and lot at St. Therese for \$350 was reported.

The sub-committee named to make enquiry as to cost of printing an annual report on Mission work in the Diocese, stated that 500 copies of the Synod journal, and 3,000 copies of proposed report could be printed for a trifle more than the number of Synod journals now costs, and the report was adopted. The meeting adjourned till Thursday 2nd June, at 4 o'clock.