

MAITLAND.—The Church here has met with a severe loss, in the death of Mrs. Nelson Murphy, who after a painful illness, borne with the patience and fortitude of a true child of God, entered into the rest of Paradise, on Friday, March 1st.

For many years Mrs. Murphy faithfully worked in the Church and Sunday school. She loved the Sanctuary of God with a devotion, that showed itself not only by a regular attendance on all the services, but by loving self denying acts as well.

But not only will she be truly missed by the Church, but by the whole community.

The poor, the sick, the suffering and the sorrowful she lovingly ministered to at all times.

Her funeral, one of the largest ever seen in this place, expressed something of the feeling of love with which she was regarded.

The Church could not hold all who came to pay their last tribute of respect to one who was mindful of their weal.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours and their works do follow them.

AMHERST.—On Saturday last Rev. Mr. Woolard, Deacon in charge of "All Saints," Spring Hill, officiated in Christ Church, morning and evening, and delivered two earnest and thoughtful sermons. Rev. V. E. Harris taking the duty at Spring Hill.

Once more the Holy Season of Lent has come, with its great responsibilities, and also its great privileges. Daily prayers will be said on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7.30 p.m., and on the other days of the week at 5 o'clock. Short readings will be given at all these services, on the following subjects, viz. Holy Communion, Prayers and the Litany.

LIVESTPOOL.—His Lordship Bishop Courtney visited this parish on the evening of March 12th, where a place of resting was provided for him at the residence of D. H. G. Farish, of this town. On the following afternoon a reception was given His Lordship in the Sunday school room, where those who wished to become personally acquainted with him had an opportunity of so doing. Quite a number availed themselves of the offer. A slight repast was also provided by the ladies of the church. On Sunday, the 3rd, at morning service the rite of Confirmation was administered to 48 candidates, which service was very impressive, as one by one they came forward and knelt to receive that sacred rite so dear to every Churchman's heart. The Bishop's address to the newly confirmed was a very earnest one, showing fully the dangers that would beset their paths, and how strength was to be obtained in successfully surmounting these. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper being prepared nearly 200 were recipients of that feast, including nearly all those just confirmed. The Rev. E. E. B. Nicholls, D.D., Rector read the Morning lessons; the Rev. A. H. Harley, curate, acted as the Bishop's Chaplain.

In the afternoon his Lordship attended service at Western Head church and preached; there were none for confirmation there, as those to be confirmed had been at the service in the parish church.

The evening service was grand in every part. The Bishop preached an excellent sermon from Mark iv, 26 to 30. The singing was fine; the responses hearty and the church crowded on both occasions. The Rev. J. Lockward, of Port Medway, acted as Bishop's Chaplain, and read the Lessons in the evening.

On the following morning his Lordship drove to Hunt's Point church, where he confirmed six. Returning again here, he confirmed the same afternoon two, privately, who were unable to attend the service Sunday.

Tuesday morning the Rev. A. W. Harley accompanied the Bishop to Sable, where he was met by the Rev. Thos. Johnson, of Lockeport, who drove him on to Lockeport, our curate returning immediately to Liverpool.

Everyone who was present at the service was well repaid for their coming; and those outside of us who heard his Lordship think just as much of him as we do ourselves.

LUNENBURG.—I send you a supplementary report of the work done in this Deanery by his Lordship the Bishop from Feb. 9th to 28th inclusive.

The whole number of persons confirmed in the nine parishes visited is 639—304 males and 335 females, and are for the respective parishes as follows:

	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
St. Margaret's Bay.....	37	25	62
Blandford.....	27	23	50
Chester.....	57	54	111
Mahone Bay, and	56	52	108
New Germany.....	8	11	19
Lunenburg.....	29	32	61
La Have.....	28	20	48
Bridgewater.....	20	33	53
New Dublin.....	16	43	59
Petite Riviere.....	26	42	68

Churches and Burial Grounds Consecrated.

- Burial Ground, French Village, parish of St. Margaret's Bay.
- St. Martin's Church, Martin's River, parish of Mahone Bay, and Burial ground.
- St. James' Church, Mahone Bay, same parish.
- St. Barnabas' Church, Blue Rocks, parish of Lunenburg.
- St. Augustin's Church, Conquerall Bank, parish of Bridgewater.
- Burial Ground, West La Have, parish of New Dublin.
- St. Michael's Church, Petite Riviere, parish of Petite Riviere.
- St. John's Church, La Have Islands, parish of Petite Riviere.

Arrangements are being made by several of the clergy to take duty at New Ross, during Rev. Mr. Grosier's illness. Rev. Mr. Butler, of Chester, held a service there in February, and on March 9th he again went over and gave an evening service, and another on the morning of Sunday, the 10th; the Rev. Mr. Harris, of Mahone Bay, taking the morning service at Chester, and Rev. Mr. Harris, of La Have, taking that at Mahone Bay. Rev. Mr. Gelding, of Bridgewater, is to go over for the 4th Sunday, and Mr. Harris, of La Have, for the 2nd Sunday in April. We hope soon to report Mr. Grosier able to resume his work.

PICTOU.—A paragraph has been going the round of the papers stating that the venerable Archdeacon Philpot is the oldest clergyman in England, he has entered upon his 99th year. But the oldest clergyman in England, is, the Rev. Bartholomew Edwards, rector of Ashill, in Norfolk, who within a month of his hundredth year, was lying dangerously ill at his rectory. Close to Archdeacon Philpot comes the Rev. John Elliott, vicar of Randwick, Gloucestershire, who has entered upon the seventy-first year of his incumbency of that parish, he having been licensed to it as perpetual curate on the 30th January, 1819. Mr. Elliott graduated at St. Edmund's Hall, Oxford, in 1818 and was ordained in the same year. Mr. Elliott is uncle to the ex-mayor and brother of the first Rector of St. James' Church, Pictou, N.S., he must at least be 95.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

QUEBEC.—Rev. W. S. Vial, lately Missionary of the Anglican Church at Montmorenci, and Protestant Chaplain of Beauport Lunatic Asylum, died on the 10th inst., at his residence, Grand Allee, Quebec, from paralysis.

The funeral took place on the 12th instant,

from his late residence to St. Matthew's Church and thence to Mount Hermon Cemetery. At the church there was a very solemn and impressive service; the Rev. Lennox Williams, Rector of the church, and Rev. Canon Richardson officiating. The Dean of Quebec, owing to indisposition, was unable to be present. The service was choral, the surpliced choir and clergyman meeting the body at the church door and preceding it to the chancel. The chanting of the Psalms and the singing of the hymns was very effective. Amongst the clergy in attendance were Revs. Richardson, VonIffland, Petry, Williams, Rexford, Hatch and Balfour. The congregation in the church included a large number of prominent people, and testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held by his fellow citizens. Mr. Vial came to Canada in 1857, and was ordained two years later by Bishop Mountain. He first did Mission work in Megantic, and then conducted a private school at Bergerville, while acting as curate under Rev. Armine Mountain. The deceased gentleman held the Chaplaincy of Beauport Asylum and Montmorenci for twenty years, and for the last four years of his life did duty also at Lake Beauport. His genial presence, kindly disposition and fine social qualities made him a general favorite, and his afflicted widow and other relatives have the sympathy of the entire community in their hour of trial.

LEVIS.—The Rev. G. C. Nichols, M.A., formerly curate of St. Matthew's Church, Quebec, son of the late Dr. Nichols who for so many years so worthily filled the office of Principal of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and grandson of Bishop Mountain, has accepted the Rectory of Holy Trinity Church, Point Levi.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

The London Court Journal notes the marriage of Dr. Travers Lewis, Lord Bishop of Ontario, to Miss Ada Leigh, who has founded in Paris a British Orphanage and Homes for British Governesses and others, was celebrated at the British Embassy on Wednesday.

The Embassy Ball-room was used on this occasion as a chapel, and the Countess of Lytton and her daughters showed the esteem in which they hold the bride by attending the wedding. A feature very unusual at a Bishop's wedding was the bride's *cortege*, which consisted of the children of her Orphanage old enough to attend. They looked a bright-eyed, rosy-cheeked brigade, and before the ceremony commenced Lady Lytton complimented the teacher on their charming appearance. The little girls were dressed in dark blue cloth frocks, mantles and hoods, and they bal posies in their breasts. When Miss Leigh entered, they formed a procession and followed behind her like bridesmaids.

The Bishop of Quebec officiated, and the Hon. Hector Fabre, the Canadian Commissioner here, and other Canadians, were present.

In the afternoon the Bishop of Ontario and Mrs. Lewis received their friends at the Orphanage which she has created in the Boulevard Bineau.

Mrs. Lewis does not intend to neglect any of the institutions she has founded, and will go to Paris every year to see after them. In her absence they will be under the charge of a lady who has been for fifteen years her assistant.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO.—The March number of *The Teachers' Assistant*, published by the Sunday-school Committee of the Diocese of Toronto, contains some rules for Lent, and some hints on Confirmation, which we submit to our readers:

Every one should keep the season of Lent: and it will be the better kept if there are some