

as the result of this beginning. In full accord with the divine order, begun by Christ Himself when he received holy baptism, the Apostles framed a method for the ordering and ruling of the Church, such as was set out at length in the Epistle to the Church at Ephesus; and it is in imitation of those rules and orders that our Church is now governed.—*Selected.*

News From the Home Field.

Diocese of Nova Scotia.

HANTSPORT.

AVON RURAL DEANERY.—The Chapter assembled at St. Andrew's Church, Hantsport, on the eve of St. Andrews Day; the following clergy being present. The Revds. The Dean, Archdeacon Jones, Canon Brock D.D., K. C. Hind M. A., J. Spencer, and G. Howeroft B. A., The Revds. Dr. Maynard and J. M. C. Wade M. A., arriving the following morning. Shortened Evensong was said by Dean Axford, who also read the lesson. Addresses were given as follows—(1) "Missionary work essential to the life of the Church," Mr. Hind. (2) "Individual Responsibility," Canon Brock. (3) "Scope and Claims of Domestic Missions," Mr. Spencer. (4) "Proportional and Systematic Giving," Archdeacon Jones.

Processional and Recessional Hymns were 215 and 391 A & M. respectively. Hymns 220, 217, 365 being heartily sung during the service.

At 7.30 a.m. St. Andrew's day there was a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, The Dean was celebrant assisted by Canon Brock and Mr. Howeroft. Seven of the Clergy and ten of the Laity receiving.

Matins was said at 11 o'clock, Mr. Hind and Mr. Spencer saying the prayers, Archdeacon Jones and Dr. Maynard reading the lessons, Mr. Wade preaching from Rev. i. 10, 12, 13.

The clergy assembled for the business session in the church at 2 o'clock, the Dean in the chair saying the opening office.

The office of the Form and Manner of ordering priests was then read.

Moved by Mr. Wade and seconded by Canon Brock, that the next session be held at Wolfville. Moved by Canon Brock and seconded by Archdeacon Jones that the session open on the eve of St. Mark's Day, 1894.

The following resolution was moved by Mr. Hind and seconded by Canon Brock, "That this meeting learns with pleasure of the arrival of Mr. Johnston at Newport, and extends to him a warm welcome, with prayers and best wishes for his future work, and also that each member of the Chapter, at the next celebration of the Holy Eucharist offer a special prayer for Newport and its new Rector."

The subject for discussion at our next session was then brought up, and after brief remarks by several members it was decided to read over the Bishops' Pastoral, commenting on the various subjects touched upon. Mr. Spencer asked for a financial report of the A. R. D. Magazine, which Archdeacon Jones was prepared to submit. It was found that after all was due on account of subscriptions and advertisements there would be a small debt against the magazine.

Moved by Canon Brock and passed, that our most cordial thanks be tendered Archdeacon Jones and Miss Huntingdon for the faithful work in connection with the magazine. And in especial to Miss Huntingdon for the accuracy of her work and her self-denyng efforts to make the magazine a success. It was resolved that any arrouagances arising from the publication of

the magazine should be borne by the members of the Deanery; also that all returns must be sent in to the Editor not later than the 5th, of the month of publication.

Canon Brock then read his paper, which was a summary of the Rev. Chs. Gore's Bampton Lectures for 1891 on "The Incarnation of the Son of God." After attentively listening to the paper a vote of thanks was tendered Canon Brock by the brethren for his very interesting paper.

Moved by Mr. Hind and seconded by Canon Brock, that Mr. Johnston be appointed for the preacher at the next session.

The offertories at the various services amounting to \$6.41 were given as follows B. H. M. \$2.40, King's College \$2.56, Currant Expense \$1.45. The following have the thanks of the Clergy for kind hospitality, Mrs Browne, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Draper, Mr. Burns, Mr. McCulloch, Mr. Fishe.

J. M. C. WADE, Secretary.

HALIFAX.

St. George's.—Mr. F. Gatward, organist and choir director of St. Luke's Cathedral, gave an organ recital in St. George's Church on the evening of Dec. 5th; the collection being in aid of the funds of the Church of England Institute. He shewed himself to be a real master of the organ, both as to execution and the use of the stops, bringing out every beauty of the organ. His playing was certainly a rich treat to all fortunate enough to be present. Mr. A. B. Wiswell assisted, singing two selections from Mendelssohn and Handel, with correct expression and in a well modulated voice.

NORTH SYDNEY AND SYDNEY MINES.

During Advent there is Evensong on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, with an address at each service, and a celebration of the Holy Communion on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. On Sunday there are services morning and evening, and Bible class in the afternoon, either at North Sydney or Sydney Mines.

On St. Andrew's evening a very interesting service was held in St. John's church, North Sydney. A Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been organized in this parish. The members at present are few in number, but are brimming over with true Christian zeal and enthusiasm. Nearly every ship that enters the port is visited by them, and in every direction in which good may be done and the Church benefitted their labors are manifested. On the evening of the Feast of St. Andrew a special service was held in connection with the Brotherhood, at which the clergy from the neighboring parishes give their assistance. The congregation was a good one, and although the service was unusually long, all seemed intently interested to the end.

The first address was given by L. W. Wilson, president of the chapter, and also Lay reader in the parish. After a brief reference to the life of the Saint and its lessons, he gave a sketch of the rise of the Brotherhood, and dwelt upon its aims and opportunities of great usefulness. His address was an excellent one and exceedingly well delivered. It is most encouraging to find young laymen in the country parishes displaying such deep affection for the Church, and such whole souled devotion to her welfare.

Rev. W. A. DesBrisay gave an earnest address, suggested by the life of St. Andrew. Plainly and impressively he spoke of the binding and lofty nature of the duty of each Christian to seek out his fellow-man and labour to bring him to Jesus.

Rev. T. F. Draper, of Louisburg, next read a paper on Christian manliness. In emphatic terms he combatted the notion sometimes held, that there is something soft and unmanly about

religion, and showed how genuine piety had oftentimes sanctified the greatest intellects, and given birth to the grandest acts of heroism. He dwelt upon the power for good which lies in each Christian, however young or humble.

Rev. W. J. Lockyer, of Cow Bay, read a very striking paper on the best way of opposing unbelief. As Christ displayed to the doubting St. Thomas the undoubted marks of His death and resurrection, so should each Christian show to the honest doubter the evidences of his having died and risen again in Christ—show them by his life, by the visible tokens of labor and self sacrifice undergone for sake of others.

The office was taken by the Rector, Rev. R. D. Bambrick, and the lessons read by Rev. T. F. Draper. The members of the Chapter are encouraged and stimulated by the many kind words spoken, and look forward to other chapters being formed in the adjacent parishes in the near future.

Diocese of Fredericton.

FREDERICTON.

Mr. E. H. Wilmot, of this city, has forwarded to Bishop Kingdon the sum of \$1,000, as a gift from his late wife and himself toward the memory of Bishop Medley. They desired the money to be used in maintaining the Cathedral, which is the Bishop's own monument, and in accordance with their wish the money has been invested and the interest will go to the Cathedral fabric fund.—*Globe.*

ST. JOHN.

Trinity Church.—The Rector of the parish, the Ven. Archdeacon Brigstocke, D.D., issued an earnest and practical Advent Pastoral to his parishioners accompanied with special announcements as to services. A special course of sermons will be delivered on the Sunday mornings in Advent by the Rector himself, on "The Love; The Needs; The Mystery and the Results, of the Incarnation." In the afternoon at the Litany service the address by the Rector will be on "The characteristics of the four Gospels." Every Sunday evening during Advent the Rev. Mr. Davenport, of the Church of St. John the Baptist, will be the preacher, his theme being "The four last things," Death, Judgment, Hell, Heaven. Service will be held every day of the week: and on Wednesdays two services, viz.: Litany at noon, and Evening Prayer at 8 p.m. with address on the Creeds.

Diocese of Quebec.

SCOTSTOWN.

The Lord Bishop of Quebec paid a visit to the Mission of Scotstown on the 21st and 22nd of November. Arriving at Scotstown on the evening of the 21st, he stayed with Mr. French, one of the churchwardens.

This is the first visit of the Bishop since Scotstown, Lingwick and Canterbury, together with Lake Megantic and the surrounding country, were formed into a separate Mission.

The Rev. H. A. Brooke, B.A., was appointed in October last as the first stationed clergyman in this district. Services are held in each place every Sunday, Lake Megantic and the surrounding country being served by Mr. J. N. Hunter, B.A., a resident Divinity student.

On the morning of the 22nd the Rev. H. A. Brooke drove his Lordship to Lingwick to consult with the churchwardens, Mr. G. Layfield and Mr. R. D. Cowans, about the rebuilding of the old church.

The Bishop expressed himself as very anxious to have a Parsonage built at Scotstown