

to the priesthood in St. Paul's Cathedral, by the Lord Bishop of London. In 1872 he met the Bishop of Rupert's Land by appointment, at the house of the Rev. A. C. Jones, of Westminster school, and was then offered the Incumbency, of St. Andrew's, Red River, which he accepted. At the same time the C.M.S. appointed him Assistant Secretary of the Northwest American Missions, and also a member of their Finance Committee. This latter post he has now held for twenty-two years. On April 25th, 1873, he sailed for his new home at Red River, and reached St. Andrew's parsonage exactly a month thereafter. With the full and cordial consent of the C.M.S., he was appointed First Canon of St. John's Cathedral, and Professor of Systematic Theology in St. John's College. During his tenure of this Canonry, he did much active work in connection with the establishment of various charges in the diocese. He was successively Hon. Incumbent of Holy Trinity, Winnipeg, and of Christ Church, Winnipeg. In 1876, the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury conferred upon him the honorary degree of B.D., on account of distinguished services rendered to the church. In 1882 he became Dean of Rupert's Land, and Professor of Pastoral Theology at St. John's College. For some time he held the honorary incumbency of All Saints' Morris. In 1887, he received from the University of Manitoba the degree of D.D. During the many years he has been in this country, he has taken the deepest interest in all that concerns the welfare of the Church in the Northwest. He was present at the last meeting of the Synod of the undivided diocese of Rupert's Land, where steps were taken for the immediate formation of the ecclesiastical province of Rupert's Land. He was a delegate to the first meeting of the provincial Synod, held in 1875, and he has been a delegate continuously up to the present time. In 1875 he was appointed Secretary of the Lower House, which office he held for eight years. For another period of eight years, dating from 1887, he acted as Prolocutor of the Lower House. The Dean was a member of the first Conference on the consolidation of the Church in the Dominion of Canada. He was a delegate to the first session of the General Synod, and sat as Chairman of the House of Delegates for the first four days, while preliminary matters were being settled. All present on that memorable occasion acknowledged that his generalship and tact did much to expedite arrangements. He then proposed Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal as Presiding Officer, who in turn nominated Dr. Gridale his Deputy. At this time, he received the honorary D. C. L. degree from Trinity University, Toronto.

His Lordship is a member of the following standing committees of the General Synod: Constitution and rules of order; Education and Training of Candidates for Holy Orders. He has on several occasions acted as Bishop's Commissary, and always to the perfect satisfaction of the Diocese. He was Secretary of Synod from 1879 to 1881, during 1884 and 1885, and again from 1887 to 1891—in all about eight years. He has also been Treasurer of Synod for quite a number of years. He was English Master of the College School from 1874 to 1882; and he has held the post of lecturer in English in the College from 1877 to the present time. He was appointed Vice Chancellor and Deputy Warden of St. John's in 1878, and he was also Deputy Bursar for some time. He has been member of the St. John's College Council from 1874 to the present, for a great part of which period he was secretary of the Council.

St. John's Ladies' College has, from its foundation,

received much help from Dr. Gridale. He was its Treasurer from 1878 to 1881, and for two years, he was its resident Rector, Treasurer and Chaplain.

He has been a member of the Senate of the University of Manitoba from its foundation in 1877 to the present time, and he has all along been examiner in English for the Degree Examinations.

But his talents and energies have not been expended only on the Church and on St. John's College. His Lordship has been a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute from 1882 till now; an incorporated member of the S.P.G., from 1881; a life member of the S.P.C.K. from 1876; a Life Governor of Winnipeg General Hospital from the beginning; Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., etc., etc. His wonderful business ability, his never failing discretion and tact, and his willingness at all times to aid in the carrying on of work for the public weal, have made him come to be regarded as a necessary member of every board and committee in the City of Winnipeg. He will be sadly missed here; but, we must not complain, when we remember that he is going to carry on, and, if possible, complete the glorious work, laid down on such solid foundations by his predecessor, the sainted Bishop Burn.

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TO OUR READERS.

The need for a church newspaper in the west has long been felt; but, it is only lately that the idea of establishing one has taken practical shape. In preparing the Special Numbers, with which the paper will be introduced to the public, we have not had as much time as we could have wished. Still, we have done our very best under the circumstances; we have tried to be fair and impartial in our judgment, and accurate in our statements. Wherever we have erred, it has not been intentionally; and, we trust that the church public will overlook our mistakes, and help us, by their countenance and co-operation, to produce a weekly church paper, that will give, to church people, church news from far and near, and readable articles that will help in advancing the Mission of The Church of England in the Dominion of Canada. We shall be glad to receive items for publication from church workers, in all parts of the Dominion; and, it will be our earnest endeavor to allocate the space at our disposal in the best way possible for the advantage of our readers.

No. 2 of the Western Churchman will be issued on or about Saturday, Sept. 12th, and will contain a full report of the proceedings of the General Synod. There will also be an account of St. John's Cathedral and College; a historical sketch of several Winnipeg churches; two sheets containing portraits of those Canadian Bishops—not included in this number; and other articles of interest to churchfolks. Orders for Part 2 will be taken by any of the city booksellers, or by any of the caretakers of the city churches.

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