

nobility among people which ought to make us thank God.

Canon Barry shewed himself to be in perfect sympathy with the working man and urged upon his hearers the necessity of taking an interest in all that concerned the welfare of the State, especially of its spiritual welfare. He contended that a man who did not interest himself in the questions of the day was no man at all, was only half a man, half an Englishman. He then urged his hearers to greater self-denial and self-sacrifice for the love of Him, who did so much for them.

Canon Hole made the quaintest and most popular speech of the day, and was greeted with round after round of applause. In disputes between classes mutually dependent he recommended patient, considerate action, and showed the possibility of faults on both sides. Instead of each blustering, "I am Sir Oracle, and when I speak let no dog bark;" "My doxy is orthodoxy, and heterodoxy is yours." Instead of looking at our own virtues through the most powerful of all microscopes, our self-esteem, and at our neighbour's merits through the most minimizing lens which is known to science, we should be mutually forbearing. He thought that the "penny a liner" did a great deal of mischief by trying to sow discord among classes. He urged the clergy not to "patronize" the laity and the laity workingman to believe that the Church was anxious to receive them as brothers, and ended with the following: "I have heard of a lad who was treated with so much harsh severity by his parents, because he was not quite so clever as his brothers and sisters, that he suddenly disappeared from his home, and was not heard of for years. Then a reliable report came that he had been recognised in a distant land, and his mother entreated a friend who was going there to make enquiry, and if he found him to give him a letter. At last he found him, but he seemed to have lost all his interest in the old country, and to be quite indifferent as to his family. Then the friend gave him his mother's letter. He took it reluctantly, as though he hardly cared to read it, but as he read a great change came over him. For she wrote that she had never ceased to mourn for him all those years since he left, and that she bitterly repented of the unkindness which had driven him away—then she asked his forgiveness and besought him to return. He put down the letter on the table by which he sat, hid his face in his hands, and burst into tears. Then he seemed to be considering, in an agony of intense emotion, what he should do, and then he raised his head, and spoke his resolution, "Tell her that I am coming home."

And so I believe that if the Church of England seeks those whom she has estranged, and tells them of her sorrow and of her heart's desire for reunion, and proves the sincerity of her appeal by preparing to welcome those who shall accept it by throwing open her doors always, arranging her times of service to the opportunities of all, and adapting the services themselves to the ready use and understanding of all, why then I am confident that, in God's good time, she will hear the answer for which so many of us are working with all our energy and praying with all our heart, "Tell her that we are coming home."

News from the Home Field.

Gathered specially for this paper by Our Own Correspondents.

DIocese of Nova Scotia.

B. H. M.

General Purposes.—Sackville, offertory Missionary Meeting, per Rev. W. Ellis, \$2.85.

Widows' and Orphans.—United Halifax Sunday School collection, S. S. Anniversary, per Rev. Dr. Hill, \$33.40.

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Secretary.

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Algoma Bishopric Fund.—Rawdon, per Rev. W. J. Ancient, \$5.43; Chester, per Rev. G. H. Butler, \$6.00; D. P. Allison, Esq. and son, Windsor, \$12.00.

B. F. M.

Annapolis Rural Deanery, per Rev. H. D. deBlois, \$20.36.

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HALIFAX.—A Mission will begin on Saturday and continue for twelve days in St. Luke's and St. George's Churches, and the Bishop's and Windsor Street Chapels, conducted by the Rev. W. B. Maturin, of Philadelphia, the Rev. Edward Osborne, of Boston, the Rev. W. H. Cogswell, of England, and the Rev. J. M. Davenport, of St. John, N. B. On Saturday an introductory service will be held in the Cathedral, with an address by Mr. Maturin, when the Bishop will give his blessing to those who are to be engaged in the great work. The services will be as follows:—On Sundays, Holy Communion 7 and 8 a. m.; Matins, Litany and Sermon at 11; Children's Services at 2.30; special meeting at Academy of Music 4; Evensong 6; Mission Service 7. Week days—Holy Communion 7 a. m.; Address 7.40; Holy Communion 8 a. m.; Matins 9; Instruction on the duties of a Christian Life, 4; Evensong 5; Mission Service 8. We sincerely trust that a great awakening may follow these special efforts, and that a large and permanent increase may be made to the several parochial lists of communicants.

WE are glad to note the increasing interest which is being shown in the observance of All Saints' Day. In Halifax good congregations were present at St. Luke's, St. George's, and the Bishop's Chapel, and the number of communicants over two hundred. In several of the country parishes the day was observed by service with celebration. May the number increase until every parish fittingly observes the day.

Personal.—We understand that Rev. F. Partridge, B. D., has passed a good examination for the degree of Doctor of Divinity, at the recent examination of the University of Trinity College, Toronto. The degree will be conferred at the ensuing Convocation, if Mr. Partridge's duties will allow him to be present.

LONDONDERRY MINES.—On Wednesday evening, Oct. 24th, the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia instituted, and the Church Wardens of St. Paul's, inducted the Rev. Isaac Brock as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Londonderry Mines. The mandate of Induction was read by the previous Rector, Rev. V. E. Harris. The service commenced with a processional hymn, after which the Bishop gave an address on the duties of the people to their Pastor, and referred to the unwearied and successful work in the parish for four years of the late Rector. The offices of Induction and Evensong with special Psalms, Lessons, and Prayers were then proceeded with. After evensong the offertory amounting to \$13.00 was taken up for the Missionary Diocese of Algoma, the congregation rising and singing an appropriate anthem when the Bishop presented the offerings to God. A hymn was then sung, and then the Bishop administered the Rite of Confirmation to 19 candidates who had been prepared during the latter months of Mr. Harris' incumbency; many of the candidates were elderly persons, gains to the Church from other Christian bodies. The Bishop gave an address both before and after the Confirmation Service. He referred in his address before the Service to the hearty nature of the service in which all present seemed to join; he noticed with pleasure the beautiful flowers on the altar, as an indication of the love felt for the House of God; he referred to the handsome brass cross which he said was a silent preacher of "Jesus and Him crucified," and then spoke more especially

to those about to be confirmed. In his address after the service the Bishop dwelt very earnestly on the necessity of those who had been confirmed becoming regular communicants. The candidates were brought up two at a time and presented to the Bishop by the new rector. The Church which seats about 200 was crowded to its utmost capacity. The altar was vested in a handsome white altar frontal the gift of the Sisters in the Orphanage of mercy at Kilburn.

TERENCE BAY.—A picnic was given to the school children on the 2nd Oct. There was a bountiful supply of good things for them, all being provided through the kindness of some ladies in Halifax. At 2 p. m. the children assembled at the Parsonage anxiously awaiting the order to enter and be seated. At the appointed time, grace being said by Rev. J. Spencer, the little ones went to work in good earnest. When all of them had eaten and drank as much as they desired, a short address was given by the minister, setting before them the advantage of an early education. They then went out and ran races, had jumps and various other amusements till 5 p. m. At this hour they were called in doors, and those who had shown the best attendance at school had prizes awarded them. The teacher, Miss Sutherland, had made the necessary preparations and with the assistance of some of the young people attended to the wants of the small folks. After prayers being said they were dismissed each carrying away sweets and other good things. There were 54 sat down to tea and all showed remarkably good behaviour.

SPRYFIELD.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese held confirmation at Spryfield on Sunday 14th Oct. The minister Rev. J. Spencer, presented 10 candidates 5 of whom belong to Spryfield and the others from Harrietsfield. The evening service was performed by the Rev. J. Spencer to the end of the 3rd collect. Appropriate hymns were sung Miss Dart presiding at the harmonium of which she is the owner. His Lordship spoke with much feeling to the candidates, and after the Confirmation service preached a most excellent sermon. There was a celebration at which 22 persons communicated. In spite of the inclement weather the little Mission Church was full and some of the people came five miles for confirmation. Though only 4½ from Halifax, Spryfield contains only a few Church families and they all look upon a visit from the Bishop as an evident sign of his interest in them. The Mission Church was prettily decorated by some of the young people on which his Lordship did not forget to compliment them.

LOCKEPORT MISSION.—The congregation at Green Harbour on the return of the fishing fleet have begun their new church. Part of the timber was secured previous to the present Incumbent's taking charge, as also about one hundred dollars collected by their late esteemed clergyman, the Rev. C. Churchward. Uriah Williams, one of the oldest Churchmen in the village, whose house for many years past had been used as a Church as well as refuge of the travelling missionary, gave a very beautiful field of about half an acre for church and grave yard, and on Monday, the 15th Oct., many of the parishioners male and female met beneath a magnificent oak tree which I believe had been preserved (when the land was cleared) for a future oxbow but which now will adorn the entrance to God's House. After a short religious service the Incumbent's niece turned the first sod and soon six hardy fishermen were at work digging the foundation. The Church is much needed. The inhabitants are nearly all Church members by Baptism and though an attempt was made to break up the unity of the place by proposing to build a "Union Church" falsely so-called the good sense of the people prevailed and we trust shortly to see a *real Union Church* built in which one and all can worship God in unity and truth. The men unable to give much money are anxious to do all the work they can and they hope the faithful around them will help them to that which they