

The Church Times.

HALIFAX, SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1857.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

THE Report of the proceedings of St. Paul's Easter meeting, being much fuller than we expected, we are obliged to postpone the concluding portion until next week. It will be found interesting beyond the parish, several of the matters referred to, and upon which action has been taken, having assumed a prominence amongst Churchmen and an importance, which entitle them to their consideration. Generally the proceedings were characterised by an amicable spirit; and we are not disposed to criticise conclusions which have been come to upon disputed matters, with a desire to promote harmony and unanimity. The letters of the Archdeacon and Curators, sufficiently firm and conservative of their position, have been met by a disposition to be well pleased on the part of the meeting. We are glad of this, for there is nothing so conducive to the welfare of the church as a mutual confidence between the clergy and their flock, and we hope that nothing will occur to disturb that which has been so happily realized, in the instance to which we have alluded. With such harmonious action, it only remains for the committee appointed to collect subscriptions for the repairs of the churches and rectory, to commence their labors, sure that they will meet with a good result. With so desirable an unanimity there is no object requiring the pecuniary assistance of the laity that would not be cheerfully responded to.

The only question that now remains to agitate the Church, is that which refers to the right of the Chair at Parochial Meetings. Any interference with this may well be disputed, as is the nature of all such questions, by those who possess it. Objections against it are easily met by objections against the plan which its opponents would substitute; and we have never yet heard it alleged, that any great benefit is expected to result from the change as they wish it. To those who argue, as if it were a case in point, that public meetings choose their own Chairman, it may shortly be answered, that Parish meetings are not public meetings, in the common sense of the term, and are in fact more in the nature of incorporated bodies, regularly organized, with constituents appointed for specific purposes, and a system of operations that requires a standing chairman. To those again who object to the Rector that he might refuse to put from the chair resolutions affecting his own interest, it may readily be replied, that this is supposing a case so extreme, as to be almost impossible. Nor do we think it presupposes much acquaintance with the management of public business, when a case like this is imagined; for whatever might happen with a Rector in the chair, we cannot see that the same difficulty might not as frequently occur with a churchwarden in the like capacity. We doubt not however, that during the many centuries of usage and legality by which the right is fortified, precedents will be found that will reconcile all difficulties of this nature. A practice which has worked as well as most human contrivances, for so long a period, cannot be a bad one, and must be conducive to some good end, or it would be generally condemned. If, instead of this, there can be brought against it only a singular complaint or so, even although that were proven, it does not show sufficient motive for the agitation of a question which will occasion strife where there ought to be peace, and where the disruption of christian feeling, must tend to impede the progress of the Church. Entertaining these sentiments upon the subject, we may be allowed to express a hope that all parties will be content to consign to oblivion this question at its present stage, and that hereafter at all Parish meetings and at all Church meetings, we may have to chronicle the utmost harmony,—that concordant spirit that shall only find argument for debate in suggestions of the mind for the better accomplishment of a settled purpose,—and that holy spirit of Christian brotherhood, free from unwarrantable suspicions, which ought to distinguish Churchmen from the rest of the world.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

The St. George's Charitable Society celebrated St. George's Day this year by attending Divine Service at St. Paul's. The Society mustered in force at the Masonic Hall at 10 A.M., were soon after formed in order by the Marshal, and preceded by the fine band of the 63rd Regt., kindly loaned by Col. Hill for the occasion, marched through Pleasant street to Church, with an imposing display of banners and flags, accompanied by a miscella-

neous concourse of spectators. The Lord Bishop, one of the patrons of the Society, was present in St. Paul's. The Rev. W. Bullock, Chaplain, and the Rev. E. Maturin, occupied the chancel. The Rev. Huber Bullock, junr., said prayers. The Ven'ble The Archdeacon, senior Chaplain, preached an excellent sermon on brotherly love, as applicable to the constitution of the society and the character of Englishmen. During the service the choir sang an anthem taken from Psalm I. with beautiful effect. A collection was taken in behalf of the charitable fund of the Society. The Lord Bishop then pronounced the Benediction. After the services the Choir sang the National Anthem, in which the members of the Society joined their voices.

The Society then re-formed in procession outside St. Paul's, and, guided by the Marshal, passed through several of the principal streets of the city; and after paying their respects to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, one of the Patrons, at Government House, returned to the Masonic Hall, where, being brought into order, the President, (Henry Pryor, Esq.) called for three cheers for "The Queen," which were multiplied by three, and one cheer more. Three cheers were enthusiastically given for His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, and the Lord Bishop, Patrons of the Society. The thanks of the Society were then unanimously voted to the Marshal, (Mr. Shean,) for his taste and ability in conducting the procession—to the ladies of the Choir of St. Paul's—and to Mr. Casseres, the Organist—for those sacred services, which afforded such general gratification. The Society then dispersed.

The Society, in spite of the bad weather, unparalleled in its history, mustered strong. The compound of rain and snow, which greeted them outside, was not very agreeable to be abroad in—and the muddy state of the streets, consequent upon a rapid thaw of two or three inches of snow which had fallen the night previous, detracted no little from the display, and a great deal from the pleasure and comfort that usually attend such celebrations under propitious influences.

The Bill introduced into the Legislative Council, providing a different mode than now exists of filling the Chair at Parish Meetings in this Diocese, was disposed of on Tuesday last—the Honble. introducers stating that it was not their intention to proceed further with the measure.

On Monday, 13th, the Hon. H. G. Pines introduced a Bill into the Legislative Council to incorporate the Halifax Corresponding Committee of the Colonial Church and School Society. The Bill was read a second time on the 14th and committed.

The first clause of this Bill incorporates certain persons therein named, and others who shall be duly appointed, and their successors, under the above title. The second clause enables the society to hold real estate to the value of £10,000. The third clause vests the property of the "Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society" in the new Association.

The Bill for the Assessment of the City of Halifax to the amount of £100,000 for the Railroad, passed a third reading in the Lower House.

The Report of the Education Committee recommends an additional grant of £1,000 for general education, and £1,400 to extend accommodation at the Truro Model School.

The New York, Newfoundland and London Telegraph Company Bill has passed the House. The Bill gives an exclusive right to the Company for 50 years. It has been opposed by the influence of the Halifax Telegraph Co., and generally on the ground of monopoly.

The R. M. S. *America*, arrived on Thursday afternoon, in 12 days from Liverpool. The elections in the Mother Country manifest a considerable majority in favor of the Palmerston administration. The news otherwise is of no great importance.

CHINA.—The news from Hong-Kong comes down to the 17th of February, and is neither more definite nor satisfactory than the statement in last week's Postscript.

One report states that the understanding at Hong-Kong on the 17th February was, that the Emperor had expressed the highest confidence in Yeh's ability to deal with foreigners; that he recommended clemency; but that his Imperial Majesty had given orders, in the event of lenient measures proving unavailing, to "drive the barbarians into the sea." On the other hand, it is said that the *Pekin Gazette* does not contain any allusion to the troubles with foreigners at Canton; and that the report is correct of an edict having been issued to the high officers of the coast provinces not to interfere with the quarrel at Canton. Yeh is said to have orders to establish peace, but nothing is said of opening Canton.

The Revd. J. Forsythe has lately removed from the Allion Mines to Truro, and requests that all Communications may be addressed to him there.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.—Some daring villain or villains, secured an entrance into the Halifax Bank. (Collins,) on Saturday night or Sunday last. They appear to have effected an entrance by getting into the office of Messrs. Cochran & Co., and then by cutting a hole through the floor over the Director's room, let themselves down into the same. They had very industriously drilled holes through the lock and door of the iron safe, and had succeeded in taking a piece out of the same, but either want of time or their being disturbed, prevented their completing their attentions. A large amount of gold was in the safe; but we understand nothing was lost.—*Christian Messenger*.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.—Halifax, April 22, 1857.—His Excellency the LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, by the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to reinstate and appoint, to be Justice of the Peace for the County of Hants. Benjamin DeWolfe, Francis Parker, Esquires.

For the County of Richmond: Simon Babin, Matthew Helleur, Esquires.

For the County of King's County: Abel Parker, Ward Eaton, Gideon Cogswell, Peter Wickwire, Simon Fitch, William Woodworth, John O'Pineo, Edmund Palmer, Fairfield Smith, Esquires.

And His Excellency, by the advice of the Council, has been pleased to direct that the Gentlemen above named shall severally take the rank and precedence in the General Commission of the Peace which they would have held and enjoyed had their names been inserted therein according to their priority in the previous General Commission.

To be one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Cumberland: Cyrus Black, Esq.

Those who suffer from Catarrh, cold in the head, chronic or occasional deafness, impaired vision, noises in the ear, inflamed eyes, &c., will find immediate relief in Durno's Catarrh Snuff, a new discovery, which never fails in effecting a permanent cure of all these distressing complaints, even when all other medicines and treatments have proved of no avail. To ministers public speakers, professional men, students &c., it will be found invaluable. Price 25 cents a box.

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A. B. C.—Asthma! Bronchitis!! Consumption!!! and all similar ill the flesh the flesh is heir to, are cured by the great Indian remedy, known as Mrs. M. N. Galtner's Indian Balsam of Liverwort and Horhound.

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When the ladies passed suddenly from tight sleeves to very large ones, not a few died or were disfigured by burns from the balloons on their arms catching fire. At present, the form of retribution is Rheumatism, Tiedolorenz, and every form of cold. Sufferers should remember that the Mountain Indian Liniment cures rheumatism, and Dr. Stone's Cough Elixir is an effectual remedy for coughs and colds.

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Persons going to sea should not forget to provide themselves with a bottle of G. W. Stone's Vegetable Liquid Cathartic, as they will find it a sure preventative of Sea Sickness. It cleanses the stomach from bile, promotes Digestion and invigorates the whole system.

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THE BALM OF ORANGE FLOWERS gives delicate perfume to the Breath, and thoroughly cleanses the Teeth, eradicating Tan, Pimples and Freckles, and imparts a rosy bloom to the Complexion; makes a soft and beautiful lather for Shaving; removes Dandruff gives a fine gloss to the Hair.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Glandular swellings in the throat, neuralgia, the dolorous rheumatism, gout, lumbago, and other diseases affecting the glands, muscles, and nerves of sensation, are permanently eradicated by the persevering application of this healing, anti-freble, pain-destroying preparation. Irritating eruptions, running sores, open wounds, burns, scalds, the bites of venomous insects or reptiles, and in short, all the varieties of superficial inflammation, soon lose their angry and painful character, when treated with Holloway's Ointment. Pills have never yet been administered in dyspepsia, liver complaint, or disorders of the bowels without producing the desired results.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

Rev. T. D. Ruddle—all your orders have been attended to except the last, that will also be the first leisure. Mr. Fowler—attended to. Rev. Mr. Ambrose. Rev. Mr. Smith. E. M. Cutler, Esq.,—attended to. Rev. Mr. Campbell—attended to. Rev. Mr. Forsyth—attended to.

MARRIED.

On Saturday, the 18th inst., at St. Luke's Church, by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia, assisted by the Rev. W. Bullock, OLIVER ROBERT DAY STOKES, Capt. Royal Artillery, and eldest son of Robert Day Stokes Esq., Trilce, County Kerry, to ELIZABETH, second daughter of J. J. Sawyer, Esq., High Sheriff of Halifax, N. S.

On Wednesday last, at St. George's Church, by the Rev. R. F. Uniacke, Mr. JAMES WOODS, of Dalhousie College, to RACHEL, daughter of Baylie Cullerne, Esq., of Milton, next Gravesend, Kent, Eng.

On Tuesday, the 14th inst., by the Rev. Professor King, the Rev. ALAN McKNIGHT, Minister of St. James' Church, Dartmouth, to CATHERINE GLUK, eldest daughter of the late Wm. Kinston, Esq., of Halifax.

At Eastern Passage, on 12th inst., by Rev. James Stewart, Mr. JAMES HENNINGER, to ELLEN MARGERY, eldest daughter of Mr. Joseph York.

At Three Fathom Harbor, on 10th inst., by the same, Mr. WILLIAM ROAST, to CATHERINE, daughter of Mr. Martin Gatz.

At Nooddy Quoddy, Eastern Shore, on the 14th inst., by the Rev. Jas. Bredding, Mr. GEORGE HARVEY, senr., to Miss JOHANNA MOSER.

DIED.

On Saturday morning, after a long and painful illness, Mr. GILBERT HAMILTON, aged 80 years, leaving a widow and 8 children.

On Sunday night, of consumption, in the 36th year of her age, ANNE BARBARA, daughter of Mr. William Phillips.