

News from the Home Field.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

SHELBURNE.—Owing to failing health and declining years, the venerable Rector of this Parish has been obliged to retire from the active duties of his charge. He was a hard and earnest worker, and after so many years of toil and anxiety has earned a right to spend the remainder of his days in quietness. That the people of this Parish feel deeply because their dear friend and pastor whom they have become so intimately connected with no more shall guide them over the "rough and stony places" is very apparent. The following is a copy of the address presented to the Rev. Rector on his announcing his retirement, and to which he made a short but very feeling reply :

SHELBURNE, NOVA SCOTIA, April 16th, 1883.

To the Revd. Thomas Howland White, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, United Parishes of St. George and St. Patrick :

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—It is with profound sorrow, tempered, we trust, with an humble recognition of an All Wise Providence, that we accept your prayerful resignation of the active charge of this large Parish, after nearly half a century's zealous and whole-souled labour for its spiritual welfare; yet we are comforted by the cheering facts that though the pastoral staff is laid aside you are not removed from our sight, but still remain to bestow upon us your kindly benediction and words of earnest admonition.

When we behold three new churches raised for the worship of the Most High, and our own venerable one, wherein several generations have listened to your earnest preaching and responded to the sublimest liturgy language ever produced, renewed and improved by your earnest instrumentality; when we review the long years that you have lived and moved among us, a noble example of a Christian pastor endeavoring to imbue us with a livelier zeal for holy living and a stronger love for Mother Church, the truth of whose teaching is strengthened as time rolls on; and when we reflect upon the members to whom you have administered the first and last Sacraments, with fervent prayer that the same may indeed be a blessed comfort to the soul,—the emotions of our hearts are but feebly expressed by any words through which we desire to convey to you our sincere gratitude for all that you have done for our good since first we were entrusted to your care—the care of an elder brother called back to the old home to minister to our wants and direct us in the way that we should walk.

You have touchingly reminded us that but few of the old familiar faces remain. We thank God that you are still spared to us, and that, after having faithfully fulfilled a most sacred trust, you can retire to rest and seclusion, there to enjoy that peaceful happiness which the evening of a godly life brings to the soul, softened and subdued by a mild radiance reflected from the Sun of Righteousness, whose full glory, we pray, you shall behold with clear vision when He comes again in the East.

Signed by the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish on behalf of the Parishioners.

Wardens—Robert A. Bruce, Winslow C. McKay.

Vestrymen—John Bower, John deMolitor, R. H. Bolman, N. W. White, Chas. W. Muir, Alex. DeMings, C. B. Kelley, William E. Marshall, J. B. Holden, W. J. Cox, George A. Cox, Charles K. Bruce.

EASTERN PASSAGE.—There are now living here two worthy old representatives of the Church, George and Maria Horn, the former is 94 and the latter 82. Both have their faculties, and reside by themselves. This also speaks well for the healthiness of the neighbourhood. The temperance community in this district are holding their weekly meetings as usual on Monday evenings at the Eastern Light Hall, Mr. Joseph Himmelman presiding as the Worthy Patriarch. We are pleased to hear the members are on the increase. Mr. McKenzie, the present teacher, gave an address on Monday evening on temperance. The audience were very attentive to his few well-chosen remarks, and seemed thoroughly to appreciate the same.

MAITLAND.—"Life and Scenes in the Lesser Antilles," was the subject of a lecture last evening in Putnam's Hall delivered by the Rev. Mr. Jamison in the presence of an appreciative audience. Fresh from the scenes which he described, the Rev. lecturer was full of his subject and held the marked attention of the audience for nearly two hours. The lecture was a masterly effort, well thought out and excellently delivered, and not only afforded great pleasure to the audience, but also reflected much credit on the lecturer. The even-

ings proceedings were varied by several songs and instrumental music well rendered by an excellent choir. Mr. S. W. Smith, Barrister, presided.

The Envelope system has been adopted at Holy Trinity Church, and from the contributors already promised, it is expected that the offertory will be increased by at least one-third more than hitherto. The good Church-people of the place responded in a very hearty manner to the solicitations of the committee appointed to solicit subscriptions.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

DORCHESTER.—The Bishop Coadjutor arrived from Sackville in this Parish on Friday, 20th April, and remained the guest of the Rector, Rev. J. Roy Campbell, till Monday afternoon, when he proceeded to Moncton. During his stay his Lordship was invited to meet a number of the leading parishioners at the hospitable mansion of Rocklyn, where an elegant lunch was partaken of by about twenty-five guests. On Saturday evening a meeting in the interest of the Diocesan Church Society was held in the Church School Room, when his Lordship spoke at length on the pressing needs of the Church. We are glad to know that already his visit has borne fruit in the form of additional voluntary offerings. This Parish now occupies the highly honourable position of not only being self-sustaining, but also of sending about \$200 to the general purposes fund of the Society. On Sunday his Lordship preached Scholarly Sermons both morning and evening. The unusually large congregation in the evening bore testimony to the benefits arising out of the recent action of the pewholders in making the Church free. In the afternoon, the Bishop also addressed the Sunday School, and afterwards preached in the Penitentiary. In addition to the Christian courtesies and hospitalities of Rocklyn, an address of welcome on the occasion of this, his first visit to the Parish, was read by Dr. Henry Chandler at the Saturday night meeting. Altogether the visit has been both pleasant and useful. The address is as follows:—

To the Right Reverend Hollingworth Tully, Bishop Co-adjutor of the Diocese of Fredericton :

MY LORD,—We, the undersigned Church Wardens, Vestry and other Laity in the Parish of Dorchester, desire to offer to your Lordship a hearty welcome on your first official visit to this portion of the Diocese.

We are glad to learn your sojourn thus far in the Province, and the many warm friends you have already made, have been a source of great satisfaction to the Church throughout the country; and we feel confident your learning, piety and zeal, while awakening a fresh interest in the welfare of the Catholic Church in this portion of the Dominion of Canada, will lighten the onerous cares and responsibilities of our most beloved and venerable Metropolitan, who, for many years, like a gentle Shepherd, has so tenderly guarded the Fold, and carefully watched over the sheep entrusted to his care.

We sincerely hope you may often have occasion to renew your visits among us, and that you may long be spared to adorn the high position, in the order of Providence, you have been called on to fill.

With every sentiment of respect and esteem, we beg to remain,

Right Reverend Sir,
Yours most faithfully and affectionately,

DAVID CHAPMAN,
GEORGE W. CHANDLER.

On behalf of the Vestry and other Parishioners.

WOODSTOCK.—A number of beautiful stained glass windows (manufactured by Wailes & Strang, of Newcastle on Tyne, England,) have lately been placed in St. Luke's Church. The east window is made up of three lights. The centre light is in memory of the Rev. S. D. Lee Street, 41 years Rector of this parish. The south light was given by the Metropolitan in memory of his friend, Edward Bouverie Pusey, D. D. This window, as a whole, represents the crucifixion of our blessed Saviour, with St. Mary, His mother, and St. John the Divine, one on either side as witness of the same; each subject having the appropriate symbol beneath. Four lovely windows have also been placed in the nave. The subjects illustrated are "The Raising of Lazarus," "The Raising of the Daughter of Jairus," "The Healing of the Para-

lytic," and "The Curing of the Man at Bethesda." It is intended to carry on the series of the healing miracles of our Lord in the remaining nave windows. These windows, like the several parts of the east window, are placed in the church in loving memory of dear friends. Any one of the windows may well be classed as among the

"Storied windows richly dight,
Shining with dim religious light,"

and all in their rare beauty seem to carry out the threefold purpose for which they have been placed in God's house—for instruction in holy themes—as loving memorials—and unto the glory of God.

DEANERY OF KINGSTON.—A regular meeting of the Chapter was held at Norton on May 9th and 10th. Ten of the clergy of the Deanery were present, together with his Lordship the Bishop Co-adjutor, and Rev. F. W. Vroom, an affiliated member. After the usual Scripture reading and discussion, his Lordship the Bishop kindly read a paper on the vernacular of Syria at and before our Lord's time, which was heard with much interest. At both the services his Lordship delivered addresses, speaking at length of the work and needs of D. C. S., and at the celebration of the Holy Communion on Thursday morning, speaking both to clergy and people from the Song of Solomon, i. 6. The Deanery during the session finally discussed and resolved upon the formation of a Sunday School Teachers' Union for the Deanery of Kingston, which will, it is earnestly hoped, be forthwith constituted. The Rev. Canon Medley, Rural Dean for the past term, was re-elected with many expressions of recognition of his earnest work in the past. The next meeting will be held at Greenwich in the second week in August.

Diocesan Church Society.—The Anniversary Meeting of the Diocesan Church Society, will be held (D. V.) at Fredericton, in the Church Hall, on Thursday, the 5th day of July next, at 4 o'clock, p. m. The clergy and lay delegates are requested to meet in General Committee, at the same place, on Tuesday, the 3rd day of July next, at 10.30 o'clock, a. m. Celebration of Holy Communion at the Cathedral, on Wednesday, the 4th, at 7.30 a. m.; Anniversary Services (Choral) on Thursday, the 5th, at 8 p. m. By order of his Lordship the President.

W. Q. KETCHUM, Secretary.

The Clergy are especially requested to forward their reports to the Secretary, at the latest, a fortnight before the Annual Meeting, in order that the report of the Society may be properly prepared. By a resolution of the General Committee, it is required that the certificates of the lay delegates be forwarded to the Secretary at least ten days before the Annual Meeting.

PORTLAND—St. Luke's.—The Coadjutor Bishop of Fredericton confirmed a class of twenty-six persons in St. Luke's Church, Portland, St. John, on Saturday afternoon, May 5th. The Rev. T. E. Dowling, of Carlton, read the Litany, and the candidates were presented by the Rector, Rev. L. G. Stevens.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

MELBOURNE.—On the 1st May a deputation from the residents of Melbourne and Richmond, composed of the following gentlemen—the Hon. W. H. Webb, Q. C., M. L. C., Major Mathias, W. H. Jeffery, G. K. Foster, W. Brooke, Eagle Henderson, Robert Sloane, Robert J. Stewart, W. J. Woodburn, Samuel Hetherington and others, waited upon the Rev. Isaac M. Thompson, the late Rector of the Parish, at his residence in Melbourne, and presented him with the following address, Mr. Webb being the spokesman:—

To the Rev. Isaac M. Thompson, late Rector of St. Ann's Church, Richmond, and Missioner for the Diocese of Quebec:

Dear Mr. Thompson,—We, the undersigned members of the congregation of St. Ann's and others, aware of your intended departure from this neighbourhood, desire to