

## NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

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## DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX.—*Personal*.—Mr. C. F. Lowe, who has just arrived from St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, and expects to be ordained at the ensuing ordination by the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia, is now taking duty for the Rev. F. Axford, at Cornwallis. Mr. Axford expects to make an extended visit to the Old Country, and he fully deserves the needed change and rest.

Rev. J. Spencer is in town, pleading the claims of a new church in his large parish. Mr. Spencer has been very successful at Petite Riviere, and has put up, in the short period he has been among his people, one beautiful little church.

The Rev. J. R. S. Parkinson, Rector of Port Medway, has been elected Rector of Londonderry Mines. The choice is a good one. Mr. Parkinson is well known as a hard and enthusiastic worker.

The Rev. J. Lowry, formerly Rector of Jeddore, soon sails for the West Indies. The trying work at Jeddore has told on the health of the reverend gentleman, and now he seeks rest and recuperation in a milder climate. Mr. Lowry has nine months' leave of absence.

FLOWER SERVICES.—A very interesting flower service was held at St. George's last week, when a huge cross was covered with little bunches of flowers, the offerings of the Sunday-school children. The Rev. Dr. Partridge gave an address, drawing lessons from the flowers and from the cross.

A similar service was held at St. Matthias' Mission last Sunday. The flowers were distributed among the sick and the poor.

ST. PAUL'S.—*Resignation of the Rector*.—The many friends of Rev. Dr. Hill will regret to hear that the officials of St. Paul's Church have received an intimation from the Doctor that he purposes resigning the position which he has held for over a quarter of a century. He proposes to accept the offer of a chaplaincy, in Switzerland, of the Colonial and Continental Church Society. All sections and classes of the community will regret to hear this news. The Reverend Doctor was the foremost man in Nova Scotia. A polished preacher, rare historian, profound lecturer, highly cultured man, and a perfect gentleman, his position in the diocese was unique, and cannot readily be filled. The diocese has been remarkably unfortunate during the past year in the loss of first-rate men, and the number of leading parishes which have become vacant has been quite phenomenal.

ST. JAMES' MISSION, NORTHWEST ARM.—A most interesting children's service was held last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Shreve, the former superintendent of the Sunday-school, conducted the service, and addressed the scholars. Mr. Shreve's talk to the children was an earnest, simple and practical one, and the school showed its appreciation of it and of the whole service by a most devout and attentive demeanor. In addition to the scholars, a number of the congregation were present. Miss Laura Draper kindly took charge of the musical portion of the service, which was rendered in a very hearty and impressive manner.

PORT HILL, P.E.I.—The new church of this place was opened for Divine service on Sunday, 20th Sept. The services for the day were conducted by the Venerable Archdeacon Read, the

Rev. T. B. Reagh, and the incumbent. The Venerable Archdeacon preached in the morning from the words, "My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer," and the Rev. T. B. Reagh in the evening from the words, "The Church which is His body." Both sermons were able, and very suitable for the occasion. The church was well filled at each service, and the collections were good. In the morning both sacraments were solemnized. Two received Holy Baptism, and about thirty partook of the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ. The services of the day were hearty, and of such a nature as not to be soon forgotten by those who took part in them. The church, commenced in the summer of 1882, has been built at a cost of about \$2,500 to the parish. The style of architecture is Gothic. The main building is 46 x 23 feet, the chancel 18 x 20 feet, and the tower, which stands on the south-west corner, is about 90 feet high. The windows are of stained and cut glass, and are very handsome, especially the one in the chancel, which is a memorial window presented by the family of the late Hon. James Yeo. It bears the following inscriptions: "I am the Good Shepherd." "To the glory of God and the memory of Damaris and James Yeo." The ceiling is panelled and grained, and the arches are filled in with fret-work. The furniture is of ash and walnut, and finished in oil. The cloth for the communion table was presented by Mrs. T. P. Richards, of Swansea, G.B. The Service books, presented by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, are very nice ones, being bound in Russian leather. Other small gifts were received from parties outside the parish. The organ, a very beautiful as well as powerful one, purchased from Messrs. Miller Bros., of Charlottetown, was ably presided over by Miss Richards, of Bideford. This little church is indeed one of the prettiest and best on the island, and is a credit to the people of the parish. Much praise is due the builders, and also the committees, for the manner in which they have performed their work. It is very much regretted that the building could not have been got ready for consecration before his Lordship had taken his departure for England.

SEAFORTH.—The sermon preached before the Tangier Rural Deanery, by Rev. J. A. Richey, and published by request, has just been issued from the press, and is a masterly and useful production on the honor due to God's house as the house of prayer. It is worthy of a very wide circulation.

## DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

From the number of verbal errors, my writing last week must have been uncommonly bad, for printers are never careless now-a-days.

The nomination of the Rev. Mr. Thornloe, of Stanstead, to the Rectory of Sherbrooke, is said to have been confirmed. This rising city is the railway centre of the Eastern Townships. Along the Quebec Central we come to the Mission of Ascot Corner and Westbury, where a third church is about to be built at East Angus. Next the old Mission of Dudswell with churches at Marbleton and South Dudswell, both short distances from the station. From this point to Levis there is not an Anglican Church to be seen. There is one in the Township of Broughton, visited every three weeks by the Missionary from Leeds, and the Missions of East and West Frampton are easiest reached by this railway, but not in close proximity. No doubt as the extensive Asbestos and other mines are further developed, and the farming lands settled, it will be a fine field for work which the Church seems alive to in every part of the Diocese.

LEVIS.—At the close of six years work as Rector of Levis and South Quebec, the Rev.

Ernest A. Willoughby King was presented with the following address:—

To the Rev. E. A. W. King, M.A.:

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR,—As officers of the congregation of Holy Trinity Church, Levis, we have been commissioned to ask your acceptance of a purse of money, presented as a token of the affection and esteem in which you are held by the members of the Church of England residing in Levis and its vicinity.

It is well known that far higher interests than the interest in pecuniary gain have ruled your conduct during the six years through which you have laboured so assiduously in this parish.

The monetary return that has been made to you has been felt to be inadequate by those whom you have served so well, and so, also, is the gift felt to be that is now presented to you—inadequate both as regards your own deserts and also as regards the love for you that is entertained by those who have contributed to it.

In the order of things in which man "never continueth in one stay," the dearest ties must sooner or later be broken. One such tie—that which binds priest and people together.

We grieve that the time of parting between yourself and the church members in Levis has come. We pray to Almighty God that the change may be directed for good both to your own soul and to the souls of others.

And, with sincere good wishes for your happiness and success, we remain, dear sir,

Yours truly,

L. C. HAMEL, } Church-  
J. THOMPSON, } Wardens.

LEVIS, P.Q., Sept. 19th, 1885.

The address was read by Major Hamel, and the purse presented by Mr. Joshua Thompson. It contained seventy-five dollars.

In reply Mr. King said, amongst other things, that he was much gratified in heart, and very thankful to God that what he had been enabled to do in the parish had been appreciated. His removal had not been of his own seeking, and he hoped he was right in believing it to be a providential call to other duties. He valued the generous gift of his parishioners, the more because he knew a real sacrifice was represented by it.

The Wardens also handed Mr. King a copy of the resolutions passed at a recent vestry meeting expressing "regret at the termination of his long and faithful services," and wishing him "God speed" in his new position.

After the mustering of the Sunday School another address (from the scholars) was read by Harry Tofield, and was accompanied by a purse of six dollars.

Mr. King thanked the children heartily for their presentation, and took his farewell of them and the teachers.

## DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

DEANERY OF BEDFORD.—*Missionary Meetings*.—On Monday, Sept. 21, Deputation No. 2 began work at Clarenceville. Canon Davidson, a member of the Deputation was unavoidably absent, but his place was supplied by the able services of Rural Dean Nye and the Rev. F. A. Allen, Rector of Philipsburg. The evening was beautifully clear, and the elegantly decorated Church was fairly filled with an audience of about one hundred. The addresses were all to the point, and the collection \$7.80. The following day, which proved excessively windy—windy even for a locality noted for its exposure to this element—was passed in the agreeable hospitality of the Rector's amiable family. During the day visits were paid to some of the residents of the place by members of the Deputation, and old friendships were thus again cemented. Towards evening the sky became completely and heavily covered, and it was in a drenching rain that the journey was made to St. Thomas, about four miles distant, when at 7 p.m. another meeting was held. The