

SHIGAWAKE.

The Rev. Rowland Fothergill writes :

I have long felt that perhaps I ought to write a few lines for the *Diocesan Gazette*. It is now nearly a year since I was placed in charge of this Mission, and things have gone on much as usual. The congregations have been good, with, I think, a slight increase of late at Port Daniel. At Newport Point, nine miles below L'Anse aux Gascons we are building a Church. Mr. Walters, of Point St. Peter, has given the plans. The greater part of the money has been raised on the Coast, and we have received grants from the S. P. C. K. and Church Society. Mr. Robert Hamilton has also very generously promised \$50. Still there is need for a little more aid in order to complete the building.

We have just received a most welcome and helpful visit from the Bishop. Landing at Newport Point, from the steamer "Admiral," on Monday, August 6th, his Lordship went through the Mission, holding Services at all four of our Stations.

At Newport Point we had a very hearty Service on Monday evening. It had to be held in the little old building in which Mr. Nicolls began Services at this place. Next year we hope to welcome the Bishop in the new Church.

On Tuesday, there was a Confirmation at L'Anse aux Gascons, when seven Candidates—all men—received the laying on of hands. Mr. Sumner, of Montreal, very kindly played the Organ, and the Service was bright and hearty.

At Port Daniel, on the Wednesday morning, we had an earnest Service, and the Bishop preached to a very fair congregation, taking for his subject, the Holy Communion. He thoroughly impressed all who heard him, with the result, I am thankful to say, of increased numbers at the Celebration on the following Sunday.

At Shigawake, on the Thursday morning, we had a very bright Service indeed. The singing was especially good, and sixteen

Candidates received the grace of Confirmation. On Thursday evening, the Bishop gave a very interesting lecture on Missionary work in England. All three Churches were prettily decorated.

At L'Anse aux Gascons the men received him with a salute of guns. Many have spoken of the help that they have received from this second visit of his Lordship to this rather extended Mission, and we cannot be too thankful, that God has put it into his heart to pay us annual visits, and so do away, to a great extent, with the feeling of isolation, which is perhaps the greatest draw-back on the Coast.

NEW CARLISLE.

The Rev. Edgar B. Husband reports :

Sunday, August 12th, was to us a day of good things, a day for much thankfulness, a day of rejoicing and refreshment. The occasion was a visit from the Lord Bishop of the diocese to confirm twenty-two people.

Arriving from Shigawake on Friday afternoon, his Lordship gave a lecture in the evening at 7 o'clock, in S. Peter's Church, Paspébiac, upon the early history of the English Church. I only regret more were not present.

On Saturday evening, another lecture was given in S. Andrew's Church, New Carlisle, upon modern mission work in England, at which there was a fair attendance.

On Sunday, his Lordship drove to Hopedown, and held a Confirmation at 10 a.m. The little Church was crowded, the wonder is how so many managed to get in. There were one hundred and thirty inside, while many stood in the porch during the whole Service. This was the first Confirmation in the New Church. There were four Candidates from Paspébiac, and four belonging to Hopedown. His Lordship's addresses were listened to with rapt attention,