

CHURCH NOTES.

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THE 9th of September brings with it its reminder of the death of the beloved Metropolitan. His life, so beautiful in its simple strength, so true in its entire devotion to his work, and so peaceful in its close, is a perpetual inspiration to all who knew him, while his memory can never fade so long as the Cathedral exists as his monument. We are thankful that the faithful companion of his extended labors still remains with us, to receive the constant assurance of our respect and love.

THE Sunday School picnic this year, under the energetic management of the committee, assumed the proportions of a parochial gathering. With a delightful day, the kind use of Mr. Wilmot's beautiful grounds at "Beauvoir," the determination of everyone to make the children happy and to enjoy themselves, the picnic was the most successful for many years past. And best of all, the balance was on the right side.

A CHORAL service will be held in the Cathedral on Tuesday, Oct. 5th, for the last time in connection with the Diocesan Church Society. The Dean will be the preacher.

By the kindness of Rev. J. R. S. Parkinson, of St. Mary's, the Monthly goes into about fifty families in his extensive parish. We shall be pleased to have any items of parish news from them.

THE Bishop has returned in good health from his visit to England. His keen observation noted many things both instructive and amusing, of which his friends are receiving the benefit. To have been present at events of national importance, and to have taken part in a celebration unique in the history of the world, is a matter of congratulation for a lifetime. Several gentlemen from Fredericton have had that privilege. Could not one of them be induced to give a public lecture or talk on the subject?

THE singing and responding in the Cathedral have much improved of late. If every one present would take his part with a small increase of energy yet, we should add much to the attractiveness of our services. It is also to be noted that a very large proportion of our people now shew due respect by rising when the clergy enter for the performance of Divine Worship. This is right, and we hope will soon become universal.

WE shall be sorry to lose the men of the Berkshire regiment from Fredericton and from the Cathedral. Their behaviour during their stay in the city has been good, and we shall miss greatly their hearty singing in the Cathedral services. We wish the officers and men a hearty Godspeed.

THERE has been quite a large number of tourists this season, which will doubtless be increased another year. They have all expressed themselves as highly pleased with the city and its