

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

THE COTTAGE HOSPITAL FOR SPRINGHILL MINES

To the Editor of the Church Guardian:

SIR,—I gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following list of subscriptions for the Cottage Hospital:

Rev. Rural Dean Ellis, Sackville, \$5; Rev. Otho B. Croft, offertory from Trinity Church, Streetsville, \$7 78; a friend, Newport, N.S., \$5; Isaac Gerard and child, Tangier, \$35; Rev. J. Simonds, collection at Chatham, \$3; Rev. H. Gomory, proceeds of Band of Hope concert, Huntingdon, \$17.50; Rev. R. A. Rooney, Perrytown Mission, \$2; Rev. A. H. Wright, Fort a la Corne, \$1. Total \$41.63; total to date from Canada, \$610.57; amount required \$4 000.

I earnestly solicit from my brethren a speedy response to the pressing appeal in order that we may if possible begin the erection of the hospital this year. At the present date five members of our congregation should be in the hospital, and of course the doors would be open to others. One of the sufferers is a young Swede, a stranger in a strange land. I shall be glad to send to anyone interested copies of the appeal for distribution.

I remain yours, very sincerely,

W. CHAS. WILSON.

Springhill Mines, N.S., April 29th, 1891.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

S. S. CONVENTION.—The programme of the Sunday School Convention to be held in the City of St. John on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 12th and 13th, 1891, has been issued by the Secretary, Rev. O. S. Newnham.

The Convention will open with service in Trinity Church, at 7:30 p.m.

On Wednesday a Conference of Teachers will be held, at which the Right Reverend Bishop Kingston, D.D., will be preside.

After an address from the Chairman:

I.—A Paper on 'The necessary qualifications for a good Sunday School Teacher,' by Rev. Canon Forsyth, Chatham, will follow.

II.—Paper on 'The training of Sunday School Teachers. Address a. 'Teacher's meetings with their Clergyman.' b. 'Teachers' libraries, lectures for Teachers, and other helps.' by the Rev. G. E. Lloyd, Rothesay, and another on a. 'Teachers' associations and examinations.' b. 'Model lessons,' by Mr. Eldon Mullin, Fredericton.

III.—Two Model Lessons, by Rev. J. R. S. Parkinson, St. Mary's, and Canon Roberts, Fredericton, form the next order.

At the afternoon session, from 3 to 6 p.m., the programme is: 1. Paper, subject, 'Sunday Schools in scattered Missions, how best to establish and maintain them,' by Rev. C. P. Hanington, Johnston.

Addresses on the same subject: 1. Rev. Scovil Neales, M.A., Southampton; 2. 'Libraries and Sunday School literature,' by Mr. Vivian W. Tippet, St. John; 3. 'Examinations for Scholars, and prizes,' by Mr. J. H. Wran, Moncton.

II.—Paper, subject, 'Defects in our Sunday School Work,' by Rev. C. E. Mackerzie, Shediac. 1. Subject, 'Neglect of the services of the Church on the part of Sunday School Scholars,' by Rev. R. W. Hudgoll, Dorby. 2. Subject, 'The loss of our older Scholars,' by Rev. H. Montgomery, M. A., Fredericton. Volunteer speakers.

In the evening of Wednesday a public meeting will be held at which, after an opening address from the Chairman, the ordering of proceedings will be Paper, 1. Subject, 'Religious Training of the young,' by Rev. L. G. Stevens, B. D., St. John. Address, 1. Subject, 'Definite religious teaching essential,' by Rev. Canon Brigstocke, D.D., St. John. Paper 2. Subject, 'Duty of parents as to the religious teaching of their

children,' by Rev. J. M. Daverno t. M.A., St. John. Address, 2. Subject, 'Sunday Schools in their relation to the Church,' by Mr. C. N. Vroom, St. Stephen.

All Sunday School Teachers and those interested in the Sunday School work are invited to attend.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

RIVIERE DU LOUP.—On Sunday morning, 26th April, His Lordship the Bishop of Quebec administered the sacred rite of confirmation to ten candidates who were presented by the Incumbent, the Rev. E. Weary, after which he delivered an address suitable for the occasion, and then celebrated the Holy Communion, which was partaken of by 22 members of the congregation. The afternoon and evening services were held in the new Mission Church near the L. C. R. Station, a fitting memorial of the Incumbent's untiring exertion on behalf of the Church during the short time he has been in the diocese, and a most creditable piece of work on the part of the contractor Mr. Walter Hogg. On each occasion His Lordship delivered an eloquent address, which was listened to with rapt attention by the congregation. The collections of the day were on behalf of Bishop's College.

His Lordship kindly consenting to remain over till Tuesday, the Ladies' Auxiliary Society gave a social in the New Hall on Monday night, and a most enjoyable evening was passed, the choir enlivening the occasion by rendering several songs in a most creditable manner, after which the young ladies handed round the delicious refreshments given by the Society. At the conclusion the Rev. E. Weary thanked His Lordship on behalf of the ladies for the honor of his attendance, and Mr. Ferguson presented him with an address from the congregation. The benediction was then pronounced and all dispersed well pleased with the evening's entertainment. Quite a number of the congregation assembled at the station on the following morning to bid His Lordship farewell.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—The annual distribution of prizes of the St. Jude's Ministering Children's League came off on Saturday, 2nd inst., in the new Parish Reading Room. The membership is one hundred and twenty. The Deaconess and several ladies are actively interested in this promising league. There is a good sewing class; benevolent effort is encouraged, and the Rector and his curate were pleasantly surprised to find, on going down from the Church just after a funeral service, the room full of the ministering children and their friends. Five prizes were awarded. For good behaviour and regular attendance: 1, Ida Reed; 2, Ethel Young. Greatest improvement in sewing in 3 months: Clara Parker and Ida Reed, equal; 2, Jessie Lunn; 3, Grace Johnston. Several others were mentioned who had made great improvement in their needlework.

The Rector said a few words of encouragement and of praise, and made some practical suggestions as to the children learning to give their money towards good objects and not spending too much for their own pleasure. The Deaconess hopes to master the League now and then during the summer months for some benevolent work. After distributing the pretty packages of sweets that fringed the table to each member of the League, the meeting was closed with the Doxology and Benediction.

EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENTS.—The following are the appointments of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese for May:

May 11th, Monday, Iron Hill, &c., Rev. F. Charters.

" 12th, Tuesday, Sweetsburg, &c., Rev. R. D. Mills.

" 13th, Wednesday, East Farnham, &c., Rev. W. C. Bernard.

" 14th, Thursday, Danham, Rev. George Johnson.

" 15th, Friday, Frelighsburg, Rev. Canon Davidson.

" 17th, Sunday, Pigeon Hill, Mr. Mervyn.

" 18th, Monday, Bedford, &c., Rev. Rural Dean Nye.

" 19th, Tuesday, Stanbridge, Rev. J. Constantine.

" 24th, Trinity Sunday, Montreal, ordination

The Bishop places himself at the disposal of the clergy during his visit. Letters may be directed as follows: South Stukely, until May 2nd; Knowlton, until May 7th; Frelighsburg, until May 13th; Bedford, until May 17th.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

The Synod of the Diocese of Ontario will meet at Kingston on Tuesday, the 2nd June.

The Rev. J. K. McMorine, of Kingston, has had a beautiful window placed in St. James' Church here, in memory of his son.

The Rev. S. Tighe has resigned the incumbency of Chrysler, and the Rev. Mr. French has been appointed to Lombardy.

KINGSTON.—Considerable improvements are being made in the old St. George's Cathedral here, and in connection therewith an historical sketch of the parish and Church was given in a late number of the *Daily Whig*. From this it appears that the first English Church in Kingston was built in 1793, on the square immediately in front of the market. It was a frame building and stood nearly in rear of the present Masonic Hall. It was subsequently used as the Lancastrian school house and stands to day on the corner of Union and Wellington streets. This old edifice was a great rendezvous of the old military residents and in it were celebrated many notable marriages. The first Rector of the parish was the Rev. John Stuart, D.D., who was born in Pennsylvania in 1730, his parents (Irish) having emigrated to the colony. About 1766 he graduated from a Philadelphia college, and though his parents were Presbyterians, joined the Church of England and was subsequently ordained in England in 1770, and appointed missionary to the Mohawks at Fort Hunter. During the revolutionary war he remained true to British interests and had to flee from his mission field to Albany and ultimately emigrated to Canada and was exchanged on forfeiting property and £400, for American prisoners held in Canada. He settled definitely in Kingston in 1789 and died there in 1811 at the age of 71, and was buried in St. George's burying ground. He was said to have been the first school teacher in Upper Canada, having opened an academy for boys in 1786, which school was subsequently continued by Dr. Strachen. He was succeeded in the rectory by his son, Rev. George O Kill Stuart, who subsequently was appointed Archdeacon of the diocese of Toronto and first Dean of the new diocese of Ontario, and died in 1862, aged 86 years. His was the last body buried in the cemetery surrounding St. George's Church. Under his superintendency St. George's was begun in 1825 and completed in 1826, a good part of the money required in its erection being provided by the Imperial Government, the Cathedral being used by the troops who are stationed in Kingston. The Church had been greatly improved since its erection, though the improvements have taken place principally during the past twelve years. The hall adjacent to it was built about fifteen years ago. Venerable Archdeacon Stuart was succeeded by Rev. J. B. Lauder, who exchanged positions with Very Rev. Dean Lyster, the rector until 1854, when he was superannuated, but is nominally the rector still. Rev. B. B. Smith, B. A.,