

of workers in Canada offered himself in 1807 to the S.P.G. for work in the diocese of Quebec. The story of his first mission is characteristic of the man. He came to St. Armand in the Eastern Townships and announced his intention of holding service. The landlord of the inn tried to dissuade him saying he would find the people bitterly opposed to religion. "Then," said Mr. Stewart, "this is the place for me. here I am needed, and here, by God's grace will I remain." In two years he built a church and had a congregation of 1000 people; and two years later he built a second church in a western district, where there were 40,000 people, hitherto without any place of worship. His ministrations extended far and wide, and by means of a visit to England in 1815-17, he raised a fund which assisted in building 24 churches in the poorer settlements of Canada. In 1818 he moved to a more neglected district leaving his old parish in worthy hands. In this place he was found by Archdeacon Mountain (son of the Bishop) occupying a small garret in a wooden house, and boarding with the farmer and his family. "Devotion to God's service made me a missionary," was his motto, and he lived and laboured entirely in the spirit of his Master. He remained single in order that he might be always ready to go anywhere in the service of the Church. He took no stipend but devoted all his private means, beyond what he needed for a bare living, to charitable purposes. In days when self-denial was little regarded he lived the life of an ascetic. On Fridays his single meal was a dish of potatoes, and he observed the other fasts of the Church rigidly; neither did he alter his manner of life when he became Bishop. In 1819 his great zeal and worth as a worker were recognized by his appointment as travelling missionary, in which capacity he visited the most difficult and distant parts of the diocese. He also visited England again in the interests of the diocese in 1823. What more natural than on the death of Bishop Jacob Mountain, to appoint so successful and earnest a missionary to the bishopric. He was consecrated on 21st January 1826, and for ten years carried on the work of the diocese with no abatement of zeal or self-sacrifice. He soon found that his enormous diocese, the western portion of which was rapidly increasing in population, was far beyond his strength. He urged upon the government the appointment of a coadjutor Bishop. To this position Archdeacon George J. Mountain, son of the late Bishop, was appointed in 1836 with the title of Bishop of Montreal. In this year, broken in health by his hardships and labours, Bishop Stewart returned to England for a rest. The rest that he needed was not long in coming, for he passed away in the following year to receive the reward of his labours. He asked the clergyman who visited him in sickness to read over him the "Prayer for a Sick Child," altering the necessary words. And so in childlike faith the Apostle of the Church drew near to his Heavenly Father.

(To be continued.)



#### Diocese of Rupert's Land,

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**ALL SAINTS CHURCH, WINNIPEG.**—During Lent there will be daily Morning and Evening Prayer at this church at 8 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. as well as Celebration of Holy Communion every Thursday morning at 7.45 a.m. Special courses of sermons are arranged for Sunday Mornings "Instructions on the Christian Creed," and Sunday Evenings on "The Salvation of a Sinner, or, Helps in the Way of Grace." On Wednesdays there is to be a special course of sermons on "The Titles and Offices of Our Lord," which will be preached in rotation by the Rector, (Rev. F. V. Baker, B. A.) and by Rev. Welbury T. Milton, and the Rev. S. G. Chambers, of Christ Church. The subjects of the addresses are as follows: "The Lamb of God," "The Son of God," "Jesus the Saviour," "The Head of the Church," "The Son of Man," "Christ Crucified." On the second Sunday in March the Very Rev. the Dean of Rupert's Land will address the children at the afternoon service at 3:15 p.m. on the subject of the Indian Missions. The children are giving their Lenten offerings this year to this object, and the Dean's address on the subject will be found interesting not only by the young people but also by many of our older parishoners who take an interest in this important and truly necessary work.

The choir are preparing Sir John Stainer's Passion Cantata of "The Crucifixion," which will be given on the Wednesday in Holy Week, April 6th. The music of this beautiful service is most impressive and devotional, and should be a true help to our religious life if we enter into it with an earnest spirit. It sets forth the circumstances of the "Crucifixion," arranged for full chorus, with solos for Tenor and Bass voices, and is interspersed with hymns to be sung by the whole congregation.

**ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.—SUMMER MISSION WORK.**—We have been desirous for some time, of telling our readers about the excellent work that is done, during the summer vacation, by St. John's men, acting under the able direction of The Very Rev. Dean O'Meara and Rev. Canon Rogers. The other day we were privileged to gain possession of the letters written by the students to one another and generally circulated for the benefit of all who were "in the field;" and now we desire to give them publicity, as we are sure they will prove deeply interesting to all who note the mission work of the church in this great North-West. We print as many as we can in this issue; the others will follow at no distant date. The dates of these letters are all in the summer of 1897.