

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

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DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX.—*St. Paul's Alms House of Industry.*—In the large city of Halifax, the only distinctively Church charitable institution we have is the St. Paul's Alms House of Industry. The annual report of the institution has just been published, and from it we learn that the number of girls admitted to the Home during the past year was seven; those sent to the country four; those now under training twenty-one. Now the Committee submit to the consideration of the parishioners and the Christian public, that the School of Industry might be far more utilized than it is, and that, greatly to the advantage of many girls who at a very tender age roam the streets in quest of charity, and to the community at large. There is ample room for FIFTY GIRLS or more, and means for their support would never be found wanting. If all who are interested in the welfare of the young in Halifax were cognizant of the aims and operations of the House of Industry, the Committee feel assured that a large addition would be made to the number of girls now enjoying its privileges. The Committee do not think it unnecessary or a useless repetition to again say that the object of establishing the St. Paul's Alms House of Industry was that of endeavoring to rescue young girls, who were badly cared for by their near relatives or nominal guardians, from going astray as they grew up, by giving them a home, where they would be at once free from the strong temptations to which the surrounding circumstances exposed them, and also receive a practical training in those various kinds of work which would fit them to become useful domestic servants. Much credit is due to the management for the successful way they carry on this very important work.

DARTMOUTH.—The rector, the Rev. J. L. Bell, has resigned this parish and left with his family for England. The Rev. Mr. Smith has temporary charge of the parish. Rev. A. D. Sylvester and Rev. W. C. Wilson preached at Dartmouth Sunday week, and the Rev. H. How, of Newport, took both services last Sunday. Dartmouth is an important centre for Church work. We hope that the parishioners will be loyal to the clergy of the Diocese, and select from them a man active, aggressive and full of good works for the glory of God and the extension of His Church.

MAITLAND.—We regret to hear of the rector's indisposition, occasioned by an accident. The rev. gentleman, while on a fishing tour, was thrown from the waggon and received severe injury to his arm.

PUGWASH.—The Rev. F. F. Sherman, who was obliged to take rest from his work, has been visiting the United States. The rev. gentleman has been offered an important parish in Lawrence, Mass., and will, with the Bishop's permission, accept the same.

AMHERST.—Whitsunday dawned upon us bright and clear. Quite a large number partook of Holy Communion, of which there were two celebrations—at eight and eleven a.m. At a short service at three o'clock, there were eight children baptized and one received, and again at Evensong there were two adult baptisms. At the close of the service, after the benediction had been pronounced, the National Anthem was sung, being the birthday of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

CHESTER.—The visit just past of his Lordship the Bishop has been a specially interesting and memorable one for the parish, in consideration of the fact that we had two buildings waiting for consecration, as well as a goodly number of candidates for the Apostolic rite of laying on of hands. His Lordship arrived here on the evening of Saturday the 9th, and on Sunday morning at 10.15 the

service began at the parish church with the consecration of the handsome new chancel, completed last autumn and now thoroughly furnished, followed by the confirmation service and a celebration of Holy Communion. The morning was so very wet that a number of the candidates who lived at a distance were prevented from attending, but still the rector was able to present a class of forty-seven, of whom thirty-five, together with a large number of the congregation, partook of the Holy Eucharist. After a hurried luncheon, his Lordship proceeded with the rector to St. Mark's Church, Western Shore, where we found a crowded church awaiting us, and had a very hearty service, during which twenty-four more candidates were confirmed, after which we hurried back to Chester for the evening service, when his Lordship again preached to a large and attentive congregation, and spoke a second time of his satisfaction with the completion and arrangements of the new chancel. On Monday morning the interesting service for the consecration of churches was again called into use for the consecration of the mission Chapel at Chester Basin, —dedicated in memory of St. John the Evangelist—and fourteen candidates were confirmed, making a total of eighty-five in the whole parish. After a substantial lunch, kindly provided by Mrs. N. W. Kedy, the Bishop left for Mohone Bay, expressing himself as well pleased with his visit to the parish and with the work being done here. His Lordship's addresses, both at the consecrations and at the confirmations, were specially impressive, and will, we trust, be long treasured up and profited by all. Among the number of those confirmed were persons of all ages from 15 to 82 years of age, of whom were eleven who had only received Holy Baptism within the last fortnight, while there would have been many more candidates for confirmation if it could have been arranged to take place before the fishermen left home, several of whom had been attending the rector's classes, but had been obliged to leave before the time of the Bishop's visit.

ALBION MINES.—Our choir is suffering from removals. Miss Belle Rutherford and her friend Miss Harvey leave for England, by the "Caspian," Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dawson to a residence a long distance from the church; Mrs. Dawson has been our organist. Then we had great help temporarily from Mr. Manfred Sawyer, of Halifax, but he has returned home. The rector appealed for help on Whitsun evening, and no doubt God will send it, to render His worship more hearty and solemn than a plain read service can be.

WESTVILLE.—The Rev. D. C. Moore repeated his lecture, "A Winter in Europe," in Union Hall on the 23rd May, for the widows' and orphans' of the Vale Colliery explosion. Western Star Lodge A. F. and A. Masons were the movers in the affair.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON.—A good deal of excitement has prevailed here during the last two weeks in consequence of the call for volunteers for the North-West. The call was quickly and nobly responded to by the volunteers and the clergy were not behind hand—as the Rev. G. G. Roberts, rector of Fredericton, the Rev. sub-Dean Alexander, and the Rev. H. Montgomery each volunteered for service as chaplain for the New Brunswick contingent. Mr. Roberts was selected and has been in camp with the volunteers at Sussex, holding daily services and early celebrations on the Sundays.

Lieutenant-Colonel Maunsell having been informed that owing to the capture of Riel and the surrender of Poundmaker and other chiefs, the services of the volunteers would not be required, the Rev. Mr. Roberts was able to return to Fredericton. Much disappointment prevails among the men in regard to this order as they were anxious to go to the front and show some token of their love and loyalty for this "Canada of ours." Whilst Mr. Roberts was absent his duty was taken by the Rev. H. Montgomery.

ORDINATION.—Rev. J. C. Titcombe, of Canterbury, was ordained priest, and Mr. E. J. B. Williams, lay reader, at Douglas Harbor, was ordained Deacon on Trinity Sunday by the Metropolitan; the sermon was preached by the Coadjutor-Bishop of Fredericton.

BATHURST, N.B.—This parish has lately had the privilege and happiness of a visit from Bishop Kingdon. On Sunday morning, the 10th ult., his Lordship preached in the parish church a most interesting sermon and celebrated the Holy Communion. Notice had been given that the evening offerings would be devoted to the general funds of the Diocesan Church Society. After Evensong the Bishop delivered a very forcible address in connection with the work of that Society. His Lordship's constant and active supervision of the missionary work of the Diocese enables him to speak in such a practical and sympathizing manner of the pressing needs of the Church that his appeals cannot fail to reach the hearts and consciences of all honest and faithful members. Early on Monday, the 11th, his Lordship left for Richibucto, Kent County.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

LENNOXVILLE.—At the annual meeting of the corporation of Bishop's College, on the 25th inst., the Rev. Thomas Adams, M.A., St. John's college, Cambridge, was appointed as successor to the Rev. Dr. Lobley, in the joint offices of principal of the College and rector of the Grammar School.

As the College already possesses in the Rev. Philip C. Read a first-class classical professor, who, in addition to his special college work, undertakes also the senior classical form of the school, it was necessary to secure the services of a gentleman specially strong in mathematics, with a view to maintain the high position to which the mathematical work of the college has been brought by Dr. Lobley. The new Principal fulfils this condition, as his record of 19th Wrangler shows. To this he adds high scientific attainments and a practical acquaintance with the results of modern science. When the British Association last met in York (England), Mr. Adams was one of the local secretaries, and by his attainments and practical business ability won the highest encomiums from the leading scientific men of the day. Mr. Adams has also had practical experience and great success in the training of boys. He was for some time senior mathematical master in St. Peter's school, York, where he had charge of a boarding house, and his testimonials show that he exercised a most useful influence over the boys under his charge. Thence he went to the high school at Gateshead as head master, which post he throws up to take the higher work, spiritually and educationally, of both College and School at Lennoxville.

The governors of Bishop's College would seem to be specially fortunate in having so soon secured for so important an educational post, a man so eminently qualified in every way as Mr. Adams seems to be.

Mr. Adams is nephew to the celebrated senior wrangler and astronomer who, simultaneously with Mr. Leverrier, the French astronomer, worked out and discovered, a few years ago, the planet "Neptune." Mr. Adams is already well and favorably known in Montreal, through his connection with the British Association, and he will meet with many friends on his arrival in September next. We trust that under his fostering care both the College and School will maintain and even increase the high reputation the institution has acquired.

The Rev. Dr. Lobley returns to the old country immediately after the convocation for the granting of degrees at the end of June, and he will carry with him great regrets at his departure, and kind wishes for his future.

The Rev. Jno. Ridley, assistant minister of the Cathedral, who takes his departure for the Diocese of Huron in the course of a few weeks, was pre-