

RELIGIOUS.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The church people of Bridgetown have just completed the new church, which is pronounced by competent judges to be one of the finest in the Diocese. The rector, Rev. L. M. Wilkins, and his flock are to be congratulated on their energy and its successful issue. The church is almost ready for consecration.

Last week, from 1st Sunday in Advent to the 2nd, including St. Andrew's Day, was observed throughout the Anglican Communion as a week of Intercession for Foreign Missions; and particularly for a supply of men. Offerings were taken up on Sunday in some of the city churches for the same object.

The Divinity Chair at King's College, now ably filled by Rev. Isaac Brock, is being supplemented by lectures given by clergymen otherwise unconnected with the College. Rev. Dr. Partridge, of St. Georges, in this city, has just concluded a series of preliminary lectures on Apologetics, which will be resumed next term. The lectures were attended by nearly all the students, although they are only compulsory on Divinity students, by many Professors, and by neighboring clergy, some of them not belonging to the Church of England. The College is now at unity in itself, and good and thorough work is being done. "*Quies non movet*" would not be a bad motto now.

PRESBYTERIAN.

At the last meeting of the Presbytery of Halifax, the Rev. John M. Rollan accepted the call from Grove Church, Richmond. His induction will take place on the 22nd inst. At the same meeting satisfactory papers were presented by the Rev. A. O. Brown, and he was received as a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. We understand that the Revd. gentleman has received a call from the congregation at River John. Application for admission to the Church was also made by the Rev. W. E. Archibald, Ph. D., of the congregational body in the United States.

The Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, of St. John, has been nominated for the new Professors Chair of Church History, Homiletics and Pastoral Theology, in Knox College, Toronto.

Last Sunday week the new Presbyterian Church at Port Hastings was opened. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Burns. The new Church at Spring Hill will be dedicated next Sunday. The Revds. Messrs. Sedgwick, Darryle, and McLearn, are expected to conduct the services.

We regret to learn that the Rev. Dr. McGregor of this city is not improving in health.

The Quebec Presbytery meets on the 15th inst., when the call from St. Andrew's Church of this city to the Rev. J. C. Cattarach will be considered. It is believed that the Revd. gentleman will accept.

BAPTIST.

A few years ago the Revd. Edward Judson, D. D., son of the great missionary to Burmah, left a very desirable charge at Orange, N. J., to undertake missionary work in New York. His efforts have been greatly blessed, and resulted in the founding of the Bereau Church, of which he is the pastor. During the past year 85 have been baptized, and 112 have become members. The membership is now 658. A meeting in connection with the church's work is held every evening.

The ordinance of baptism was observed at the Granville Street and North Baptist churches on Sunday last. This week evangelistic services are being held in Spring Garden Hall by Granville St. Church.

The ladies of Granville Street Church held yesterday a very successful sale of useful and fancy articles at Spring Garden Hall. Amongst the articles offered for sale was a large variety of Hindostan curiosities. They were brought to this country by Miss Payn, missionary from Maulmain, India.

METHODIST.

Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D., LL.D., and Rev. Albert S. Hunt, D. D., have been appointed delegates from the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States to the British Wesleyan, and the Irish Methodist Conference. The Rev. Dr. Joyce, of Cincinnati, is to represent that Church at the Canadian Methodist Conference.

It is stated that the secession of the King of Tonga from the Australasian Conference, and his attempt to force his people into an independent Methodist Church has proved a terrible experience. The old heathen spirit has been evoked and the island appears to be drifting back into irreligion, anarchy, and bloodshed. The King's prime minister was formerly a Wesleyan missionary.

The Methodist Episcopal Conference in New York a short time ago completed its appropriations for domestic work. The total is \$205,000. The grand total of appropriations by the Conference this year is \$1,250,000.

CATHOLIC.

A communication to the *Osservatore Romano* announces that the Mikado received with great satisfaction the letter of Leo XIII., declaring his desire to enter into relations with the Sovereign Pontiff on the same footing as with other powers, promising to protect the Christians of his Empire in the same degree as the rest of his subjects, and stating that before long he should send to Rome an Extraordinary Embassy bearing a letter of thanks to the Pope.



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