

RELIGIOUS.

CATHOLIC.

Rev. Jno. Beaton takes the place of Rev. Dr. Chisholm, at Little Glace Bay, Capo Breton.

Very Rev. Dr. Delaney, President of the Catholic University College, Stephens' Green, Dublin, has now a seat in the Senate of the Royal University of Ireland.

Father Cotardo, S. J., has for twenty years devoted himself to the evangelization of the Indians of the Pacific Slope. His labors there have been eminently successful. He recently went to England for assistants, the extent of territory he had evangelized being far too great for one, and even for several missionaries. As a consequence of his representations, ten Jesuits left Liverpool, England, in September, to become his co-laborers.

The Catholic University at Coimbra (the Alma Mater of Cardinal Wiseman) has twelve hundred students, exclusive of the votaries of medicine. It is the principal University in Portugal.

BAPTIST.

Quite a bitter controversy is being carried on regarding the Presidency of Vassar College. The Rev. Dr. Duncan, of Rochester, though elected to the office, has declined to accept. It is contended that he was led to this decision in consequence of the strong opposition of the friends of Dr. Anderson. From the discussion at present going on in the Baptist papers, it is safe to predict, that if the friends of Dr. Duncan can prevent it, Dr. Anderson will not have the opportunity to decline the position.

It is stated that the Rev. Dr. Lotimer, of Chicago, has been asked to accept the Presidency of the University of Chicago, which is, financially, in a bad position, and that he has been assured, that if he accepts, the needed funds to place it on a good footing will be secured.

A magnificent building, intended as an Indian University, has just been completed by the Baptist House Missionary Society, at Muscogee, Indian Territory.

The Rev. Benson Smithers, Baptist preacher, of Preston, died last week. He had been in the ministry for about fifty years. He was a man of great force of character, and exerted a marked influence over the people of the district.

Rev. J. J. Skinner, Baptist minister, at Havelock, N. B., recently celebrated the 30th Anniversary of his entrance to the ministry. He has been engaged in the ministry during the whole of that period, with the exception of a few months, when he was laid aside by sickness. He has preached 4,017 sermons, and baptized 462 professed Christians.

METHODIST.

On Tuesday next the General Mission Board of the Methodist Church of Canada will meet in this city. Among the ministers connected with the Board who are expected to be present are the General Superintendants Drs. Curman and Williams, the Missionary Secretary, Rev. Dr. Sutherland; Rev. G. J. Bond, President of the Newfoundland Conference, Drs. Douglass, Sanderson, Potts, Griffin, Stone, and others. Rev. C. S. Eby, missionary to Japan, will also be here. The lay members of the Board are Lieut.-Gov. Aikens of Manitoba, Senator Ferrier of Montreal, W. E. Sanford of Hamilton, Geo. A. Cox of Peterboro, W. H. Lamby of Quebec, Hon. J. W. Sifton of Manitoba, and Messrs. Robert Walker, Jas. Patterson and W. Gooderham of Toronto, many of whom it is expected will be present and give valuable assistance. On Sunday next sermons on behalf of the Society's work will be delivered in all the Methodist Churches of the city. The public meetings to be held will be exceedingly interesting, judging from the programme published.

PRESBYTERIAN

At the last meeting of the Presbytery of Truro, the Rev. Dr. McCullough, who has for many years occupied the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church, tendered his resignation as pastor.

St. James Presbyterian Church, Toronto, which has been vacant for about two years, has given a call to the Rev. Dr. S. H. Kellogg, Professor of Theology in Alleghany, Pa. It is very probable that it will be accepted.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The resignation of Rev. Dr. Hill opens the highest prize in the Diocese in the way of preferment, except the Bishopric itself. The position of Rector of St. Paul's is one which, in the hands of a competent and energetic man, commands a very widespread influence and opportunities of leaving a strong mark upon the progress of the Church of England in Halifax. The difficulties a Rector would have to encounter are no greater than are inherent in any such post. It is to be sincerely hoped that the Parishioners will have the courage to appoint one of the clergy of the Diocese, in preference to a stranger. By determination, wise administration, sound judgment, and the help of God, the right man could place St. Paul's Parish where once it was, at the head of the Church's work and power in the Diocese, and prove of immense service to her advancement.

The Parishes of Port Medway and Rosetta are still vacant; as is the post of travelling missionary in the Deanery of Amherst.

The rumour that Rev. W. Gelling, of Bridgewater, had accepted Rosetta, is contradicted.

The Church Congress which was to have met in Montreal next week, will probably be postponed on account of the prevalence of the small pox. If the committee had accepted the invitation to meet in Halifax, which was proffered to them, there would have been no difficulty in the matter.



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