

gan shooting as quickly as possible, calling out as they aimed, "This for New Zealand man! This for Bauro man! This for Mota man!" The mission boat pulled back rapidly, and was soon out of range, but not before three out of the four inmates had been wounded. An arrow pierced the left shoulder of Mr. Atkin, another struck Nonono on the head, a third narrowly escaped inflicting a deadly blow on Minipa. Poor Stephen Taroniara lay in the bottom of the boat literally "trussed," with six long arrows piercing his chest and shoulders. It was not until late in the afternoon that the mate of the mission boat was able to cross the reef in search of the Bishop. He was found dead at the bottom of a canoe. He had received five wounds, one evidently given with a club, which had shattered the right side of the skull at the back. Another wound was from some sharp weapon which had cloven the top of his head. There were also three arrow wounds, which had apparently been inflicted after his death. He had been stripped of his clothing. In the frond of the cocoa-nut palm which lay near the body there were five knots made in the leaflets. These indicated that the Bishop's death had been in vengeance for five men, who had been stolen from the Island of Kikapu.

The sweet, calm smile rested upon the Bishop's face. The body was placed in a mat and carried back to the schooner, and the next morning, St. Matthew's Day, the anniversary of his consecration as bishop, the body of the first Bishop of the Melanesian Islands was committed to the waters of the Pacific, "in sure and certain hope," by his son in the faith, James Atkin. On Sunday, Sept. 24, Mr. Atkin read divine service, and celebrated the Holy Communion, but as he administered the sacred elements he showed signs of lockjaw, and five days afterwards died in the greatest agony, from the wounds he had received, at the early age of twenty-nine. Stephen Taroniara also died, but John Nonono recovered.

Bishop John Coleridge Patteson thus closed his brilliant and heroic missionary career, in the prime of manhood, being forty-four years of age, and after a continuous labour of sixteen years in his chosen field of Christian devotion.—*The Churchman*.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

QUEBEC.

QUEBEC.—*The Cathedral*.—The surplised choir, which has been spoken of for some little time past, was introduced in the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity on Whitsunday at evensong, and a full cathedral service on Sunday evenings, as well as at the daily evensong, will be maintained for the future. This fitting change so much needed to place our Cathedral on a level with all the cathedrals in the Anglican Communion, is hailed with delight by all good Churchmen and women in Quebec city, and in fact throughout the Diocese, and only a handful of irreconcilables are left to object, on what grounds it is hard to tell, when we saw only a few weeks ago in the CANADIAN CHURCHMAN and other papers the splendid account of the re-opening of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont., where the Lord Bishop of Huron, whom no one can accuse of having any leanings toward High Churchmanship, introduced a large choir of surplised men and boys, and when that pronounced Evangelical Bishop of Liverpool, Eng., (Dr. Ryle) actually has in his cathedral not only a splendid surplised choir, but a cross and candlesticks on the altar, together with full choral services, eastward position, &c. Some of our Canadian Churchmen who see the emblem of popery in a surplised choir, would, if they had an opportunity of visiting the Old Country, where such things are not considered as being party matters at all, but are generally accepted, perhaps agree with the opinion of a leading Canadian Evangelical, a graduate of Wycliffe, who after visiting England a few years ago, said in an article which he wrote to a Church paper on his return, "that he wished he could take all Canadian Evangelicals across the Atlantic, and show them what the Church really was, and that among other things they would find that many of the lowest churches there had surplised choirs, and it was now considered as not having any party significance at all"; or again with Canon Bell, one of the most prominent Low Churchmen in England, who during the past year has felt it his duty to introduce a surplised choir in the church of which he is, and has been for a long time, the rector.

The Bishop's Movements.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese held confirmation services at Bourg Louis on Thursday, the 16th inst., and at Portneuf on the following day. On May 30th he conducts a service at Eustis, and holds a confirmation at Waterville on the 31st, after which he goes to Lennoxville to deliver a lecture on Church History. About June 15, he will leave the See City on his confirmation tour through Gaspé District, and then take the govern-

ment steamer for the Labrador Coast, where he will make his first visit to the distant stations in that territory, returning to Quebec about August 1st.

SHIGAWAKE.—The energetic missionary at this place, the Rev. R. J. Fothergill, is making preparations for the erection of a neat little church at the out-station of L'ause aux Gascons.

St. Matthew's.—The company of the Church Lads' Brigade formed during the winter has been so successful, and such a number have joined it, that the formation of a second company is now contemplated. The boys expect to go into camp for a short time about the end of July, probably at St. Joseph de Levis.

Bishop's College.—The special preacher selected this year for the annual convocation of this well known University is the Right Rev. Dr. Potter, Bishop of New York, who is so well remembered as the eloquent preacher at the centenary services in June last year.

ONTARIO.

LEEDS RURAL DEANERY.—The members of the chapter of the Rural Deanery of the county of Leeds held their regular quarterly meeting at Christ Church on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The clergy present were Revs. T. J. Stiles, Frankville; W. Wright, Athens; Rural Dean Grout, Lyn; C. J. Young, Lansdowne; O. G. Dobbs and J. H. Nimmo, Brockville; J. W. Jones, Westport. Evensong was sung on Tuesday evening, when Rev. T. J. Stiles, secretary of the deanery, preached from Rom. vi. 8, the subject being "Life in Christ." He pointed out the necessity not only of a right faith, but also of a consistent Christian life as the result of faith; that one reason why doubts were brought into matters of faith was because of the inconsistent lives of many professed Christians. Christianity, he said, was a life based upon certain truths, a new humanity starting from Christ as the other humanity did from Adam. Illustrations were given from the lives of ancient martyrs, showing with what consistency they held their Christian profession. But the wheel of time had brought strange revolutions, and now this and other countries were permeated with a class of persons who fragrantly denied not only in practice but also in profession their allegiance to Christ. The sermon concluded with an exhortation to those present to show the world that their Christianity was not a mere profession, but a life, as exhibited in the Church, the home and the business. On Wednesday morning the Rural Dean celebrated the Holy Communion at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. Wright assisting. The day was spent in very profitable discussion of affairs relating to the welfare of the Church in the deanery. The Chapter decided that the annual missionary meetings should be held in the middle of October, by the clergy of the deanery exchanging. Sunday duty to be arranged as follows:—

1. Brockville, St. Peter's—Rev. T. J. Stiles.
2. Brockville, Trinity—Rev. W. Wright.
3. Brockville, St. Paul's—Rev. C. French.
4. Gananoque—Rev. G. W. G. Grout.
5. Lyn—Rev. O. G. Dobbs.
6. Athens—Rev. J. H. Nimmo.
7. Lansdowne Front—Rev. G. H. P. Grout.
8. Leeds Rear—Rev. H. Auston.
9. Newboro—Rev. W. Moore.
10. Westport—Rev. C. J. Young.
11. New Boyne—Rev. J. W. Jones.
12. Frankville—Rev. The Archdeacon.

Evensong was taken at 7.30 by the Rural Dean, and addresses were delivered by Revs. O. G. Dobbs, on the Ascension; J. H. Nimmo, on Christian Unity; J. W. Jones, on Sunday-schools; W. Wright, on Means of Grace. The clergy departed to their homes on Thursday, feeling that a very profitable time had been spent, and highly appreciative of the kind hospitality extended them by the good ladies of Christ Church.

DEANERY OF STORMONT.—A new era in the Church life of the Deanery of Stormont has opened with the holding, in the parish of Morrisburg on May 10th, of the first conference of clergy, churchwardens, lay delegates and Sunday school workers. The main object of the conference was to bring the various parishes into close touch one with another, and by the discussion of practical subjects to quicken interest in Church work—and we are thankful to record that in this it was eminently successful. We are encouraged to think that these meetings held annually in different parishes will become a source of strength and a means of inspiration to workers, while they will stimulate others who are "standing idle in the market place" to take a hand in the work of the Lord's vineyard. Given the earnest, enthusiastic co-operation of every priest in the deanery, under the leadership of a rural dean of the "new style," backed up by the willing interest and activity of the

faithful laity, and the solid advance of the Church is assured. The conference was preceded by a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. James Church at 8 a.m. The rural dean was the celebrant, and the Revs. C. E. Sills and G. S. Anderson, epistoller and gospeller, respectively. There were about 40 communicants. The members assembled in the Parish Hall at 9.45 a.m. The Rev. Rural Dean Houston took the chair. Among those present during the day were the following delegates: Morrisburg—Rev. E. S. Anderson, Messrs. J. P. Whitney, Q.C., M.P.P., H. Merkeley, Millar, and 15 S. S. teachers. Iroquois—Mr. C. Skinner, Mrs. Houston, Misses F. Skinner and May Ross. Osnabruck and Moulinette—Rev. R. W. Samwell (secretary to conference), Messrs. Dr. Weagant, W. T. Ransom, Gordon Baker, jr., Mrs. Perry, Misses L. Eaman, A. Eaman and A. Adams. Williamsburg—Rev. M. G. Poole, Messrs. J. Gollinger, H. Gollinger, and Chas. Weagant. Newington—Rev. R. J. Dunville, Messrs. T. Bender and John Snetsinger. Mountain—Rev. C. E. Sills. Cornwall—Rev. J. B. Stephenson, Mr. Carpenter. After an office had been said the Rural Dean welcomed the members and proceeded to read his address, of which the following is a brief synopsis:—

The Deanery of Stormont includes the counties of Dundas, Stormont and Glengarry, but as far as the Church is concerned there is not a single organized congregation in the last named county. Our present diocese is about to be divided, with Ottawa city as the seat of the new bishopric. When this new centre of Church life is established its radiating light and heat will extend beyond our present borders. In the deanery we have nine parishes, four of them, viz., Mountain, Winchester, Cryslar and Newington, Cornwall East, being mission parishes. In the deanery there are 978 Church families, an increase of 28 families over the number of last year. According to the synod returns of last year the Church population is 4,512.

The number of communicants is 1,572. At present one-third of our total Church population are communicants. During the last year there have been 169 baptisms, 41 marriages and 94 burials. In the deanery there are 17 Sunday schools, 883 pupils attending and 117 teachers, making 1,000 persons who come under the influence of the Church's teaching in our Sunday schools. The total amount contributed to the mission fund is about the same as last year. The amount given by the mission board to the missions in the deanery for the current year is \$900. We should at least endeavor to contribute as much as we receive for the mission fund. We scarcely did so last year. For all parish purposes, including clerical stipend, the deanery raised during the past year the sum of \$21,654. This represents \$22 per family, showing a truly liberal spirit towards the work of the Church. The total amount contributed for parochial purposes, exclusive of clerical stipend, is \$16,890. Morrisburg heads the list with an expenditure of \$12,000 incurred in the erection of the handsome new church. Osnabruck comes next with an expenditure of \$1,565. Iroquois third with \$1,201. Three new churches have been built in the deanery during the year at Morrisburg, Cornwall East, and Matilda, Parish of Iroquois. St. James Church, Morrisburg, is a wonderful instance of what can be done by a loving people under the leadership of an active and devoted priest. With no sparing hands has the Rev. Dr. Mountain provided a temple for the Lord God of Hosts. The Church of the Good Shepherd, Cornwall East, stands as a monument to his Christian liberality and as a memorial of a family well spoken of throughout the whole Church for its faith, love and good works. Christ Church, Moulinette, has been entirely renovated inside and out at a cost of \$700. St. David's, Wales, has been greatly improved, and the parsonage enlarged at a cost of \$840. Two baptismal fonts have been provided for the Parish of Newington. The vestry of Trinity (memorial) Church, Cornwall, has been handsomely refitted, and necessary improvements made at Mountain and Winchester. These improvements throughout the deanery afford proof that the Christian spirit is influencing and moulding the lives of our people. In addition to these, improvements are about to be made on the old chapel on Barnhart's Island, where a week day service is held by Rev. Mr. Samwell. The services here are conducted according to the use of the American Church, the island being in United States territory. From this superficial review of the work in the deanery for the past year we may thank God for the past and take courage for the future. The work of the Church has been prosecuted with success. May it go on unto richer fruitfulness.

A discussion followed the rural dean's address, in which the Revs. C. E. Sills, G. S. Anderson, M. G. Poole, R. W. Samwell, and Messrs. Dr. Weagant, W. T. Ransom and Gordon Baker, jr., took part. A vote of thanks was passed to the rural dean for his able address, and it was resolved that printed copies of it should be circulated throughout the Deanery.

The first item on the programme for the afternoon session was a paper on "Lay Help," by the Rev. C. E. Sills, who handled his subject with much ability,