

which he kindly lent for the occasion. A short service was held at 10.30 a.m., after which the congregation, headed by the fife and drum band, marched to the grounds, singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." A bountiful dinner was served by the ladies, the various committees doing their work admirably. A very pleasant afternoon was spent at foot-ball and other games, and races of all kinds were arranged, at one of which a tame elephant made himself conspicuous, and was warmly greeted. The "Busy Bees" offered for sale the fruits of many hours' patient labour, and had the satisfaction of clearing about \$11, which sum of money will be used for some of the Church's needs.

These young workers would like it made known to the readers of the K. D. M. that any scraps or leavings, too small to be made use of at home, or at larger sewing circles, will be gratefully received by them and acknowledged, if sent to the address of Miss Hanington, English Settlement, via Apohaqui.

The fife and drum band was a great feature in the picnic, being greatly appreciated by all; and though such a short time in existence, it has made itself a necessity to the Parish.

SPRINGFIELD:—Rev. J. H. Talbot has gone to Moncton, and Rev. A. J. Cresswell has removed from Albert County to this Parish, in which we hope he may spend many happy years and do hard and useful work for the Church. We are sure he will have the prayers and hearty co-operation of a large number of earnest and steadfast Church-folk. The indefatigable labours of his predecessor will give the present Rector a good start, such as does not fall to the lot of all men.

STUDHOIM:—Our little Church begins to look quite gay in its new colours. The painters are busily at work, and hope to have two coats on the walls and one on the roof and turret before the frost overtakes them. We have lost, for a time only we hope, one of our best boys, Master James Manchester, who has gone for training as a farmer to the Agricultural College at Guelph, Ontario. We wish him every success and a speedy return.

Since sending the above notice we have heard that the dear boy is laid up and is lying in a dangerous condition in the "Eye Infirmary" at Toronto. May God spare his life and restore him to health!

The Parson has begun the weekly musical practices on Friday evening, with a view to more

general congregational singing. He wants us all to join the "Choral Union," but we do not quite see the matter in his light, and do not think he will get many members.

SUSSEX:—Our dear friend, Mrs. Beer, has gone to the rest of Paradise, after a long, a useful, and a happy life on earth. We shall all miss her bodily presence in Church, and her loving conversation in her old home; and we wonder who of those who are left behind is going to try to fill her place in the ranks of the great army. Not long before she died she said, "The only thing I am living for is to go to worship God in His House of Prayer." May we not all take her as an example of living faith and strive to do the same?

Trinity Church is being painted at last, for which we are thankful, and the roof is being repaired on the outside. We strongly advise any people about to build a Church not to make the mistake we made in boarding the roof straight up and down, for if they do they will find the shingles will split in all directions.

There has been some little talk about a surpliced Choir of men and boys for our Church, and the Vestry has decided in favour of such a Choir by a very small majority. As, however, there is a strong feeling in the minds of some members of the congregation against any change in our mode of worship, it is not at all likely that this change will be made at present. For our own part we cannot see anything more dreadful in following the lead of men and boys in the praises of God than that of men and women; and a decent uniform of cassock and white surplice does not seem more objectionable in the Church than all the colours of the rainbow, as seen in the dresses and bonnets of the dear women. While we say this, we trust the present members of the mixed Choir will not think us ungrateful for many years of very faithful service which they have given in Trinity Church.

Sussex has been visited for some weeks past with a trying disease called by doctors "slow fever." Many of our people have been and still are suffering from it; but we are deeply thankful that thus far we have escaped death from this cause.

We regret to hear that one of our Choirmen, Mr. Herbert F. White, is about to leave Sussex for parts unknown. We do not wish these parts any ill luck, but we want our Choirmen back again very soon.

ROTHESAY:—A very interesting and successful drawing-room meeting was held here on Monday,