

The Lord Bishop of the diocese has issued the following pastoral to the Clergy and Laity:

DEAR BRETHREN.—Permit me to bring before you three matters of the greatest moment, not only to ourselves, but to the diocese at large.

(1) *Huron Anglican Lay-workers and Sunday-schools Convention*, 1892.—The lay workers and Sunday-school officers and teachers of the diocese held in the autumn of last year, a most successful convention in the city of St. Thomas. This year the congress of the same bodies will be held, God willing, in the city of Stratford on the 11th and 12th days.

Prevented, as I was, from attending the last conference, I can only state that many who present expressed themselves as being edified and refreshed, and therefore I doubt not that all such will gladly seize another opportunity for spiritual growth and encouragement.

I therefore would urge on all who may have received the invitation kindly extended to them by the united societies heartily to accept it, and attend the conference in the firm belief that, with the blessing of God, their divine life will be stimulated and revived, and the whole diocese itself moved onward in its witness for the truth of Christ.

(2) *The Diocese of Algoma*.—Owing to the lamented illness of the revered Bishop of Algoma, caused almost wholly by overwork and anxiety, an increased effort will have to be made by all the dioceses of this ecclesiastical province to afford him some substantial relief. I must therefore urge upon you all the necessity of an open-handed liberality in your contributions this year. You have given freely in the past, and therefore I doubt not you will be the more ready to give in the present great crisis in the history of our missionary diocese.

(3) *Huron College Fund*.—I desire to thank you all very sincerely for the hearty response you have given to my appeals for Huron College. Two years have now passed since I first asked that your offertories on Thanksgiving Day should be devoted to the relief of the college, and I wish to assure you that I am grateful for the results. The appeal for 1890 produced \$444.03; for 1891, \$574.39. The college, under its able and devoted principal, is doing not only a good, but a most necessary work in the diocese. Owing, however, to the enlargement of the building, we are sorely in need of means, and, therefore I trust that on Thanksgiving Day, when your hearts will be mindful of God's great mercies, you will remember the college which is doing so noble a work in the progress and development of Christ's kingdom in our midst. Yours in Christ.

Diocese of Algoma.

BAYSVILLE.

Mr. F. W. Shepperd acknowledges with thanks \$1 from a friend of Montreal towards the proposed church at Ridout, Muskoka.

The Bishop of Algoma has so far recovered his health as to be able to sail for England with his son. He was one of the passengers from Montreal last week, to Liverpool, per SS. Parisian. Many prayerful wishes for his complete restoration will follow him on his journeys.

Diocese of Qu'Appelle.

The Bishop has signed the Deed of Resignation of his See, and it takes effect from the 27th October inst.

The Bishop at the last meeting of the Executive Committee in September brought forward the very urgent need of a clergyman being stationed at Estevan, the new town of the coal district on the Souris, and the junction of the "Soo" and South Western Railways, but as it was found that the amount of clergy stipend

for which the Diocese is now responsible already slightly exceeds the income that can be depended upon, it seemed impossible to supply even this great need.

FORT QU'APPELLE.

A Harvest Thanksgiving service was held in St. John the Evangelist Church, on Sunday, Sept. 25th. The Church was appropriately trimmed with cereals, roots, and other fruits of the earth. The Lord Bishop was the preacher. There were eighteen communicants.

Province of Rupert's Land.

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

WINNIPEG.

Messrs. Henwood, Butterworth and Nye were ordained to the diaconate on St. Michael and All Angel's Day by the Most Revd. the Metropolitan in St. John's Cathedral.

Rev. Mr. Henwood is from the parish of Lanteglos-by-Fowey, in the diocese of Truro, and has been appointed to Morris.

Rev. Mr. Butterworth is from St. Paul's le Burgh Missionary College, diocese of Lincoln, and has been appointed to Hartney, a new centre on the Northern Pacific, R.R.

Rev. Mr. Nye is from Wycliffe College, Toronto, and will be stationed at Erinview. He was the gospeller.

The sermon was preached by Ven. Archdeacon Fortin of Holy Trinity, and the other clergy present were Dean Grisdale and Canons O'Meara, Matheson and Pentreath. Rev. J. Settee, T. H. Walton, and Canon Mulock of Montreal, were in the congregation.

There are now 74 licensed clergy in the Diocese. In 1885 there were 49, shewing a gain of 25 in seven years. There are great possibilities in store for the Church in the North West, if we can only secure men and means for opportunities of extension which continually present themselves. Hartney is an example. It is a new village sprung up on the new branch line of the Northern Pacific, and the Church element is sufficiently strong to guarantee to its first missionary \$400.00 a year.

MANITOU.

The huge mission served by Rev. N. Hewitt, B.A., has been divided and the Rev. A. Tansey appointed to Swan Lake, etc.

FORT ROUGE MISSION.

Mr. L. A. Hamilton has given \$152.00 to free the mission from debt.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, WINNIPEG.—The college and school are both full. Three lady students are on the roll of the college. The building has been fitted with electric light.

ANNUAL S. S. CONVENTION.—The convention will be held on the 17th, 18th and 19th of this month, and opens with a sermon by the Metropolitan in Trinity Church.

PERSONAL.—Rev. Hugh A. Tudor, M.A., Rector of All Saints' Church, Winnipeg, has resigned, to engage in missionary work. He has placed himself in the hands of the Archbishop of Canterbury and will probably be sent to India. The Rev. F. V. Baker, B.A., of St. John's College, Qu'Appelle, is spoken of as his successor. Mr. Tudor has been Rector for six years.

The Bishops of Pittsburgh and Washington have been recently in Winnipeg. They were surprised to find an electric street railway and the many evidences of progress in this western Canadian city.

DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.

NANAIMO, B.C.

ST. ALBAN'S.—The Harvest Festival on St. Michael's day was well attended and the service was exceedingly well rendered; but for this we owe much to the help of others, as our own men were mostly unable to attend. The Church was exquisitely decorated and it does not take much to make the Chancel a perfect picture. The Rev. S. Agassiz preached the sermon.

October 21st will be the anniversary of the opening of our Church, and the following Sunday, October 23rd, will therefore be observed as the Dedication Festival.

VICTORIA.

St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill, had an unusually large congregation, on Sunday, when the Lord Bishop of the diocese was present, and was assisted in the Confirmation and Consecration service by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, Rev. Mr. Lipscombe and Rev. Mr. Browne, Incumbent. The service commenced at 3 p.m. with the opening hymn, 270, the Church choir being strengthened by several choristers from city congregations. It was intoned by the Incumbent, and in the responses the congregation took a very hearty part. There was but one lesson read—Acts VIII to verse 18, after which the 34th hymn was sung, and the preface to "Confirmation" said by the Venerable Archdeacon. Some dozen candidates—all adults—were presented to his lordship, for The Laying on of Hands. His Lordship then addressed those who had taken the solemn obligations, reviewing the nature of the ceremony and the responsibility attaching to those who had undertaken it. As members of the Church more would be expected of them, and as Christians it would be their duty to let their light shine before men. Henceforth they would be partakers of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's supper and recipients of all the powers of grace which it afforded.

The consecration of the burial grounds was no less solemn a service. His Lordship, with the other clergymen, and accompanied by Mr. Lindley Crease, Diocesan Registrar, followed by the congregation in order, proceeded to the Church gate, where the Registrar read the petition, signed by most of the parishioners.

The petition was accepted and the prescribed prayers offered up, after which the Bishop, the clergy, the registrar, and the assembled congregation made a circuit of the grounds, repeating the 49th psalm and singing hymn 140.

Arriving at the starting point, the sentence of consecration was read by the registrar and duly signed.

The ceremony was brought to a close by His Lordship pronouncing the benediction, after which he dispersed the assemblage by saying:

"My dear friends, I am very happy to be with you on this occasion; and that I am about to part with you, whom I have found to be so sincere in the good work of the Lord, grieves me much. I sincerely hope and pray that your happiness, spiritual as well as temporal, may continue, and that the grounds which we have just consecrated to the Lord may be ever maintained as such."

His Lordship appeared to be inclined to say more, but was evidently overcome by the reflection that, as Bishop of the Diocese, he was probably performing his last similar official act.

He severs his connection with British Columbia very shortly, and proceeds to the Old Country to pass the last days of a busy and eventful life.

THE CHURCH GUARDIAN will be sent from this date to the 1st January 1894, to any new subscribers sending us \$1.50. Will the Clergy and present subscribers make this offer known?