

Personal & General

Dr. Mercer, formerly Bishop of Tasmania, has been appointed to the Residuary Canonry in Chester Cathedral, England, in succession to the late Dr. Binney.

The King has sanctioned the appointment of the Chaplain-General to the British Forces, Bishop Taylor Smith, as Chaplain of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

Dean Starr, of Kingston, preached in St. Margaret's, Westminster, on the 3rd inst. He has been appointed Chaplain to a Convalescent Home just outside of London.

The Rev. Cyril Hopher, M.A., who assisted in the Mission of Help in Western Canada a few years ago has been appointed residuary Canon of Winchester Cathedral, England.

Lieut. Charles E. Kilmer, son of Mr. G. H. Kilmer, barrister, Toronto, and a prominent member of St. Paul's Church, has been awarded the D.S.O. for bravery in attacking German trenches.

The Right Rev. Dr. Harding, Bishop of Qu'Appelle, who has been paying a visit to England, has returned to Canada, and last week he spent a short time in Montreal en route for home.

The late Canon Binney, of Chester, Eng., son of a former Bishop of Nova Scotia, has left among several legacies to Church objects, the sum of £6,000 to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

The Rev. Dr. Alfred Hall, the Seamen's Chaplain, has gone to the Pacific Coast ports on a visitation tour. He will also pay a visit to the naval station at Esquimalt, B.C. Dr. Hall expects to return home about November 1st.

Corporal Robert S. O'Meara, of the Canadian Section of the Army Medical Corps, son of the Rev. A. E. O'Meara, has been at the front since September, 1915. He has taken two years in Science and Medicine at McGill University, Montreal.

Word has been received from the Rev. H. Girling, of the Eskimo Mission at the mouth of the Mackenzie River, that he and his companions have succeeded in reaching the "blonde" Eskimos and have returned safely to Herschel Island.

Lieutenant Victor Boyd Carpenter, R.E., who was the youngest son of Bishop Boyd Carpenter, the late Bishop of Ripon, was killed at the front a few days ago. The deceased officer resided in Canada for several years, and he had relatives here.

The Rev. Canon Thompson, formerly Vicar of Eaton, Norwich, England, died on Sunday, August 6th. He became somewhat widely known a few years ago owing to his refusal to admit to Communion a parishioner who had married his deceased wife's sister.

Rev. A. Haire-Forster, of Trinity College, Toronto, was married on Monday, September 4th, in St. Stephen's Church, Toronto, to Miss C. E. Kammerer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kammerer. The Rev. T. G. Wallace, Rector of St. Stephen's, performed the ceremony.

The Church Missionary Society has received word from British East Africa that according to the statement of runaway Wagogo refugees, the Rev. Dr. Westgate was in the beginning of the war, taken from Bugiri, German East Africa, to Tobora. He was the only person away when they last saw the missionaries last spring.

The Rev. R. H. A. Haslam, of India, will remain in Canada until October 1st, 1917, in order to do special deputation work for the M.S.C.C. His message is particularly needed at the present time, and his assistance is rendered all the more necessary owing to Dr. Westgate's enforced delay in taking up his work in Canada.

A generous donation of 5,000 pounds as an endowment for the training of young men for the colonial ministry has been given to the Colonial and Continental Missionary Society, England. Emmanuel College, Saskatoon, is specially named, but full discretion is left to the Committee of the Society. It is estimated that this will yield enough to provide five bursaries.

There has been an enormous demand for Bibles and Testaments during the war. The sales are far in advance of those during any previous period. This is mainly due to the huge number of Testaments and pocket Bibles which have been distributed to the troops. It is a remarkable and cheering fact that last year the British and Foreign Bible Society issued more than eleven million copies of the Scriptures in 500 languages. It is not generally known that Bibles can only be printed by the authority of the Crown. Most of the Bibles sold are produced by the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge and by the King's printers.

A discussion having been recently raised at a Military Tribunal in England as to whether or no a woman could hold office as church sexton has led the Rector of Crowhurst to recount an interesting fact he has discovered from a tombstone in the old parish churchyard at Brighton. From this it appears that a man and wife jointly served this post for thirty years in the last years of the eighteenth and early years of the nineteenth centuries. The following quaint verse is engraved on the stone:—

"When Barbara died, 'O Lord,' cried I,
'Let me die, too, and near her lie.'
The Lord was kind and heard my prayer;
And here we lie, a faithful pair."

Word has been received from England that Lieut. H. Seton Broughall, an old-time resident of Toronto, and an Old Boy of Trinity College School, Port Hope, has been awarded the Military Cross for valour displayed in the recent fighting on the Somme front. Lieut. Broughall is a son of Mr. F. W. Broughall, formerly well known in Toronto banking circles. He is a grandson of the Rev. A. J. Broughall, who was for many years Rector of St. Stephen's Church, College Street. Mr. F. W. Broughall and his family went to England to take up residence about two years ago, and upon arrival in the Old Country, his son took out a commission in the Imperial army. After he had undergone a period of training in England, Lieut. Broughall was sent to the front with the 7th Battalion, Royal Suffolks. Lieut. Broughall had an elder brother, Lieut. Derrick Broughall, killed fighting in the ranks of the Canadian overseas forces at the Battle of St. Julien.

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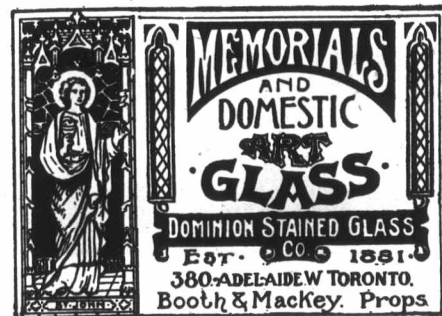
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