

CHURCH NOTES.

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THE death of Mr. Inches was a shock to the inhabitants of Fredericton generally, while to his fellow worshippers in the Cathedral it brings a great sense of bereavement. For many years his delight was to attend the house of God, and in spite of his increasing feebleness, he was in his accustomed place almost to the last. The Cathedral has suffered heavy losses during the last few years by the death of members of its congregation. Governor Fraser, Mr. E. H. Wilmot, and now Mr. Inches, were men whom it was good to know and have fellowship with, whose lives were pure and unselfish, and whose example will long be an inspiration for the rising generation. Mrs. Inches and the sorrowing family have the deepest sympathy of the whole community. None of those present last Thursday at the communion service in the Cathedral thought that in less than three days, he who with so much difficulty mounted the chancel steps for that holy purpose would have passed into the "rest that remaineth for the people of God." The clergy of the Cathedral feel that in Mr. Inches they have lost a personal friend whose place cannot be filled.

The floral offerings by friends were many and beautiful. Would it not be as well, if some flowers were sent to the church itself at the time of a funeral?

OUR circulation is increasing steadily, and we expect to give a larger order for the coming year. The magazine will be improved, and we think the quarto size will be used, as that will give us more space for printing on the covers. We shall also have a different cut of the Cathedral on the front cover. Will our friends try to gain some new subscribers for us? If the magazine is worthy of circulation, it is worthy of large circulation; and the wider afield it goes, the more useful it is.

It is pleasing to note that about \$200 a year has been added to the offertories of the Cathedral as a result of the Finance Committee's labours. There must be still a good many who regularly attend the services, who do not contribute through the envelopes. There are also probably quite a number of young people who are earning, or who have, money of their own, for whom it would be a good thing if they contributed to the maintenance of the Sanctuary, even though their weekly amount were small. It is by numerous contributions of small sums, that our average is to be maintained. We hope to see the number of envelopes increased, until we have all our deficiencies made up, and no anxiety is felt about the finances. We need \$200 more.

THE classes during the winter months will be as follows:

The Dean's Bible class for women Fridays at 4 p. m. in Vestry.

The Sub-Dean's Bible class for girls Fridays at 7.30 p. m.

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