

they are about to leave this place in order to make their home in Melbourne, we desire to take this opportunity of expressing our sentiments towards them. We recall with much satisfaction their faithful services, which have extended over more than five years. We gratefully recognize the kindly, constant and valuable efforts they have always made towards the efficient maintenance of our services in North Hatley and towards the comfort of the worshippers and of the clergy, and by sacrifices in other ways for the honour and glory of God. For many reasons, therefore, both of an official and personal character, we shall miss them very much. We would now tender them both our united and best thanks for all they have done. We heartily wish them "God speed" in the new sphere of life upon which they are to enter, and we shall rejoice at all times to hear of their happiness, good health and welfare for the future into whatever circumstances it may please God to call them."

For Whitsunday, a beautiful stained glass window, executed by Castle & Son, Montreal, was placed in the centre of the triplet opening of the chancel in the Church of St. Barnabas, North Hatley. It illustrates pictorially the words of Rev. III 20.—"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock." At the base is this inscription: "To the glory of God and in memory of the Right Reverend J. W. Williams, D.D., Bishop of Quebec, consecrated June 21st, 1863. Died April 20th, 1892. On either side of this, it is hoped some day will be placed similar memorials to the late Bishop Stewart and Bishop Mountain, as soon in fact as the necessary funds shall be contributed.

SANDY BEACH, GASPÉ.

The Rev. G. T. Harding reports:

Our Easter Services were bright, cheerful and hearty, and were attended by good congregations. The number of Communicants was the largest I have yet seen here. Fifty-four communicated on Easter Day, and thirty others on the following Sunday, while twelve more received the Sacrament during Easter week at private Celebrations. So that, altogether, ninety-six persons made their Easter Communion. This seems to me to be a very good showing for a country parish; especially as there were about twenty Communicants who, from various causes, were not able to receive, either privately or publicly; and also, if the fact is remembered, that there are only

sixty-four families connected with the congregation.

The accounts presented at the Easter Vestry Meeting showed a balance of \$34 on hand. The old Church-Wardens were reappointed for the ensuing year, namely: Capt. Robert Pye, for the people, and Mr. Peter Miller, for the Clergyman.

The Services of Supplication for God's blessing, on the three Rogation Days, were unusually well attended this year.

BOURG LOUIS.

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese visited this Mission for Confirmation on the evening of the 17th May, being the anniversary of his visit to the same place for the same purpose a year ago, and by an unusual coincidence it was the 25th anniversary of the marriage of the Incumbent and Mrs. Debbage.

An interesting and hearty service was held, there being a large attendance, especially of young people. His Lordship urged upon the Candidates, earnestness and sincerity in seeking the gifts of God in the Holy Rite. After his address he asked the usual question in the Confirmation Service, first in English, and when it had been answered in this language, it was repeated in French on account of one Candidate whose language is French and who answered in that tongue. The Bishop delivered a very earnest address to the people, recalling to their minds what he had said to them a year ago about the examples of Confirmation, as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. This time he also spoke of Jacob blessing the Sons of Joseph, and of Moses laying his hands upon Joshua who was to succeed him. He also quoted what has been said about Confirmation by Tertullian, Cyprian and The Venerable Bede. His Lordship also urged the need and blessing of receiving the Holy Communion, by which, though the Bread remains Bread, and the Wine remains Wine to the end, we are yet brought into close union with our Divine Lord. Eight Candidates, four male and four female, were confirmed.

The next morning His Lordship went on to Portneuf.

PORTNEUF.

On Friday evening, May 18th, the Lord Bishop was driven by the Rev. J. B. Debbage from Bourg Louis, and was met about half way on his sixteen miles drive by a carriage sent by the Rev. C. B. Washer, to take him round to Portneuf. After dinner at the Parsonage, a further drive was made to Halesboro' Church, where the Bishop preached, and in the evening there was a Confirmation Service in the pretty little Church at Portneuf, which owes much to the devotion and good taste of its clergyman and worshippers. Next day, the Bishop returned by the C.P.R. to Quebec.

Communications for our next issue should reach us not later than June 18th.