

ment, and during those forty-seven years I have been associated with sixty of the master minds of the country, and all but five of the sixty were Christians."

A SCOTCHMAN'S OPINION.—"There must be a great deal of religious zeal in this town," said somebody seated on the box to the driver of a four-horse coach, "there are so many churches." But the shrewd old Scotchman said with much contempt: "It's no religious zeal ava; it's just cussedness of temper."—*Twenty-five Years of St. Andrews.*

—Newcastle, in Australia, has received a bequest from its Bishop of a million and a quarter dollars for cathedral purposes.

NEW YEAR, 1893.

"Not knowing the things that shall befall me."—1st Cor. xii, 22.

I know not what shall befall me,
God hangs a mist o'er my eyes,
And so, each step in my onward path,
He makes new evens to rise,
And every joy He sends me, comes
As a strange and sweet surprise.

I see not a step before me, as
I tread on another year,
But the past is still in God's keeping,
The future His mercy shall clear,
And what looks dark in the distance
May brighten as I draw near.

For perhaps the dreaded future
Has less bitter than I think,
The Lord may sweeten the waters
Before I stoop to drink;
Or, if Marah must be Marah
He will stand beside the brink.

It may be He has, waiting
For the coming of my feet,
Some gift of such rare blessedness,
Some joy so strangely sweet,
That my lips shall only tremble
With the thanks they cannot speak.

Oh! restful, blissful ignorance:
'Tis blessed not to know!
It keeps me so still in those arms
Which will not let me go,
And hushes my soul to rest
On the bosom that loves me so!

So I go on, not knowing;
I could not if I might!
I would rather walk in the dark with God,
Than walk alone in the light;
I would rather yalk with Him by faith,
Than walk alone by sight.

My heart shrinks back from trials
That the future may disclose,
Yet I never had a sorrow
But what the dear Lord chose;
So I send the coming tears back
With the whispered words, "He knows."

New Year's Eve, 1892.

News from the Parishes.

CORNWALLIS.

RECTOR—Rev. Fred. J. H. Axford, R. D.
CHURCH WARDENS—Wm. Smith, Jno. Donaldson.
VESTRY CLERK—Elijah Armstrong.
SECRETARY OF LOCAL COMMITTEE B. OF H. M.—Lewis J. Donaldson.

SERVICES.

Parish Church of St. John.

SUNDAY—Matins and Holy Communion . . . 11.00 a. m.
Sunday School 3.00 p. m.
OUTST. SCHOOLS—Kingsport, in the house of
Ephraim Hiltz 4.00 p. m.
Canning, Baine's Hall 7.00 p. m.
FRIDAY—Evensong, Parish Church 7.30 p. m.
HOLY DAYS—Matins and Baptisms, or Holy
Communion 11.00 a. m.
WEDNESDAY—Teachers' Meeting and Parish
Guild of St. John, alternately 7.00 p. m.

The guild of St. John is a banding together of the younger members and residents in the Parish, for their literary improvement and social enjoyment, as well as to co-operate with the Rector in such parochial matters in which their aid is needed. Their Constitution and By-Laws are framed.

The Rector is President; all other officers are elected quarterly. It has entered upon its second quarter.

The members were efficient helpers in decorating the Church for the Xmas Festival, and also in aiding the Rector in the necessary arrangements for the annual Xmas Tree given to the children, held on the anniversary of the Patron Saint of the Parish. All present seemed to enjoy themselves much.

Seven PRIZES for merit and attendance were distributed to the deserving, on this occasion; and the Superintendent, Mr. Lewis J. Donaldson, received a present from the teachers and scholars of a fine edition of "*The Teacher's Variorum Bible.*"

H. S. SMITH, Parish Reporter.

FALMOUTH.

RECTOR—
HANTSPORT.
CHURCH WARDENS—Jas. Stevens, Geo. Johnson.
SERVICES—Sundays, 11.00 a. m. and 7.00 p. m.
Sunday School, 3.00 p. m.

We are always pleased to hear good reports from our past members, and are sure the following extract from the *Tribune* will be read with pleasure by all our subscribers:—

PRESENTATION.—On Jan. 2nd, '93, the friends of the Rev. C. H. Fullerton assembled at the Rectory, Pettediac, and presented him with an address, accompanied by the sum of \$50, as a small token of the regard in which he is